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Committee of Fourth Year.

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II.

GENERAL MINUTES.

Question I. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer: R. H. Marks, Frank Burruss, W. R. Evans, J. C. Harry, Wm. E. Moore, John K. Clayton, Jos. D. Langley, J. E. Brooks, Jno. T. Sewell.

Question II. Who remain on trial?

Answer: Jno. E. White, Jno. C. Granbery, Jr., Jesse B. Lavinder, Jas. E. Oyler, Robt. C. Garland, Sam'l J. Battin, Ernest L. Peerman, F. B. McSparran.

Question III. Who are discontinued?

Answer: None.

Question IV. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer: L. T. Williams, Chas. E. Blankenship, H. F. B. Martin, Alex. L. Franklin, Geo. E. B. Smith, Jno. D. Hosier, G. H. Lambeth, W. L. Ware, P. H. Clements, E. J. Potts, Thos. E. Johnson.

Question V. Who are re-admitted?

Answer: None.

Question VI. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Answer: None.

Question VII. Who are the deacons of one year?

Answer: Wm. C. Pace, M. S. Colonna, Jr., Jno. W. Parrish, Dexter W. Reed, Gus. W. Dyer, Geo. Wesley Jones, Thos. E. Johnson, Fred. G. Davis, W. T. A. Haynes, Robt. L. Wingfield.

Question VIII. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Answer: Chas. E. Blankenship, A. L. Franklin, Graham H. Lambeth, W. L. Ware, E. J. Potts.

Question IX. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer: Chas. E. Blankenship, Alex. L. Franklin, Graham H. Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, Eugene J. Potts.

Question X. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Answer: Jno. K. Clayton, Jno. T. Sewell, Jos. T. Meadows, Jno. E. White.

Question XI. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

A swer: Jno. K. Clayton, John T. Sewell, Jos. T. Meadows, Jno. E. White.

Question XII. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Answer: Sam'l C. Hatcher, J. Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Fred. W. Proctor, Geo. E. Booker, Jr., A. B. Sharpe, Robt. T. Waterfield, W. B. Beauchamp, A. A. Whitmore, Jas. W. Baker, L. T. Hitt, C. W. Leftwich, Robert S. Baughan.

Question XIII. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Answer: Sam'l C. Hatcher, J. Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Fred. W. Proctor, Geo. E. Booker, Jr., Arthur B. Sharpe, Robt. T. Waterfield, Wm. B. Beauchamp, Alfred A. Whitmore, Jas. W. Baker, Luther T. Hitt, Clarke W. Leftwich, Robt. S. Baughan.

Question XIV. What local preachers are elected elders?

Answer: None.

Question XV. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Answer: None.

Question XVI. Who are located this year?

Answer: W. W. Southall.

Question XVII. Who are supernumerary?

Answer: Wm. H. Camper, Thos. H. Early, Jos. A. Proctor, Jno. Q. Rhodes.

Question XVIII. Who are superannuated?

Answer: Jas. F. Brannin, Alex. M. Hall, H. T. Bacon, Edward M. Jordan, Wm. F. Bain, Wm. A. Laughon, T. J. Bayton, Jacob Manning, H. C. Bowles, John McClelland, John L. Clarke, Wm. A. Robinson, Jno. W. Crider, L. S. Reed, Wm. A. Crocker, D. M. Wallace, Robt. N. Crooks, C. S. Wamsley, J. J. Edwards, J. P. Woodward, Jno. B. Dey, Jas. A. Riddick, Jas. E. Gates, J. R. Waggener.

Question XIX. What preachers have died during the past year?

Answer: J. H. Proctor, E. M. Peterson, Chas. T. Gibbs, H. P. Mitchell,
Thos. P. Wise.

Question XX. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Answer: Their names were called one by one, and (with the exception of M. S. Watts, who was expelled,) their characters were passed.

Question XXI. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?

Answer: Local preachers, 127; members, 87,881.

Question XXII. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer: 1,168.

Question XXIII. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer: 3,207.

Question XXIV. What is the number of Epworth Leagues?

Answer: 176.

Question XXV. What is the number of Epworth League members?

Answer: 9,322.

Question XXVI. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

Answer: 801.

Question XXVII. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

Answer: Including officers, 8,798.

Question XXVIII. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

Answer: 62,283.

Question XXIX. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Answer: \$13,000 was assessed.

Question XXX. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Answer:	From pastoral charges	\$9,780	85
	From Colvin bequest	32	90
	From Publishing House	1,100	00
	From Hall Fund	146	00
	From a preacher	10	00
	From collection at Conference	295	74
	Total	\$ 11,365	49
	Applied to claimants on the fund	\$11,355	00

Question XXXI. What has been contributed for missions?

Answer: Foreign, \$17,149.24; Domestic, \$9,687.03; also by "Rosebuds," \$3,367.12.

Question XXXII. What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Answer: \$3,701.09.

Question XXXIII. What has been done for the American Bible Society?

Answer: Contributed to Virginia Bible Society, \$805.71.

Question XXXIV. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge?

Answer: Presiding elders, \$17,173.60; preachers in charge, \$168,750.42.

Question XXXV. What has been contributed for the support of bishops?

Answer: \$2,809.64.

Question XXXVI. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices?

Answer: No. societies, 746; No. church edifices, 750; value, \$1,815,398.

Question XXXVII. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them?

Answer: No. of charges, 213; No. of parsonages, 147; value, \$236,825.

Question XXXVIII. What is the number and value of district parsonages?

Answer: No. district parsonages, 3; value, \$9,000.

Question XXXIX. What are the educational statistics?

Answer: See report of Board of Education.

Question XL. Where shall the next session of the Conference beheld?

Answer: At Portsmouth, Va.

Question XLI. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Answer: See Appointments.

Journal of Proceedings.

First Day.

The One Hundred and Fifteenth Session of the Virginia Annual Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was held in Danville, Va., beginning on Wednesday, the 17th day of November, 1897, Bishop Oscar P. Fitzgerald presiding.

The Conference was called to order at half-past nine o'clock A.·M. by the presiding Bishop, who conducted Divine service and made a brief address to the Conference.

The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll. During the session there were present of clerical members 226 (including those received into full connection this year); of lay 44.

Paul Whitehead was elected Secretary, and S. S. Lambeth and B. M. Beckham Assistant Secretaries.

On motion of R. N. Sledd, the hours of meeting and adjournment, respectively, were fixed at nine o'clock A. M. and one o'clock P. M.

On motion, the preachers stationed in Danville and the Presiding Elder of the Danville District were appointed a Committee on Public Worship.

The Committee on Memoirs was, according to regulation, constituted as follows: T. E. Johnson, Geo. C. Vanderslice, W. G. Starr, and Paul Whitehead (the last to be chairman).

On motion, the Chair was requested to appoint a committee to nominate the Committee on Conference Relations for the present session. The Chair appointed J. W. Bledsoe, R. A. Compton, and J. T. Mastin.

D. M. Smith, one of the Book Agents of our Church, was introduced to the Conference and made a brief address.

The Boards and Standing Committees of Conference were constituted. (See Boards.)

On motion of R. N. Sledd, Geo. H. Spooner was appointed Conference Postmaster.

On motion of A. G. Brown, John O. Moss was appointed to collect the amounts due for the "Minutes" of the last session; and it was ordered that he be directed to report to the Conference the names of any preachers who refuse to pay the sums charged to them.

On motion of J. L. Spencer, it was ordered that a committee of three be appointed on the subject of *Temperance*. The Chair appointed J. L. Spencer, F. M. Edwards, and R. Ferguson as said committee.

A communication from the Book Agents of the M. E. Church, South, was laid before the Conference, read, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

A communication from the Board of Missions of our Church was laid before the Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the Board of Missions of this Conference.

A communication from the Board of Education of the M. E. Church, South, was laid before the Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the Board of Education of this Conference.

A communication from the Epworth League Board of the M. E. Church, South, was laid before the Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the following special committee: E. H. Rawlings, Geo. H. Ray, W. B. Beauchamp, G. H. McFaden, and E. G. Moseley.

On motion of W. J. Kilby and H. M. Hope, the following resolutions were adopted:

- "Be it resolved, 1. That a committee of ten, to consist of five preachers and five laymen, be appointed by the presiding Bishop on the subject of Memorials to the ensuing General Conference.
- 2. That all such memorials be referred to said committee without debate; provided, that the author of a memorial shall explain briefly its purport before said reference."

On motion of C. L. Bane and others, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Bishop presiding, or the President of the Conference, be requested to appoint, on the first day of each Conference Session, a committee, composed of one clerical member from each Presiding Elder's District, to be known as

the Committee on Applications, before which all applications for admission on trial, re-admission, and admission from other churches, shall come, before they are presented to the Conference; and that the committee's report shall be called for before any one is received on trial, re-admitted, or received from other churches."

A communication from George Wm. Walker, President of Paine Institute, Augusta, Ga., was laid before Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the Board of Education.

A. G. Brown, from the Committee on Conference Entertainment, appointed by the last Conference, made report; which was read, and, on motion, made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

The committee appointed this morning to nominate the Committee on Conference Relations, made report, which was adopted, and the committee appointed as follows in accordance therewith: James O. Moss, T. J. Taylor, J. E. Deshazo, A. C. Berryman, R. Ferguson, F. M. Edwards, W. W. Sawyer, J. B. DeBerry, H. C. Cheatham, C. D. Crawley, J. Carson Watson.

Minute Question 20, "Are all the preachers blameless in their lives and official administration?" was called, and the following Presiding Elders passed in examination of character: A. G. Brown, Paul Whitehead, C. E. Watts, J. S. Hunter, Oscar Littleton, W. P. Wright, Joseph H. Riddick, Thos. H. Campbell, Joseph H. Amiss, J. Powell Garland, W. C. Vaden.

The Chair appointed the following to constitute the Committee on Applications provided for this morning: J. T. Mastin, C. H. Boggs, John M. Burton, C. L. Bane, J. W. Shackford, Jas. B. Winn, T. McN. Simpson, John T. Moore, J. T. Whitley, J. D. Hank, N. H. Robertson.

And then the Conference adjourned.

Second Day.

Thursday, November 18, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by Henry C. Cheatham.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of Paul Whitehead, the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

A communication from the Board of Church Extension of the M. E. Church, South, was laid before the Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the Board of Church Extension of this Conference.

The death of T. B. Holt, Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the M. E. Church, South, was announced by Dr. Sledd, and received with deep emotion. Bishop Fitzgerald made a touching allusion to his personal intimacy with the deceased.

Memorials to the General Conference were offered as follows, and, in accordance with resolutions adopted yesterday, referred to the Committee on Memorials:

By Geo. H. Ray: On the subject of the limit of the number of charges in a Presiding Elder's district.

By A. Coke Smith: On subject of changes of law respecting the jurisdiction of Quarterly and District Conferences.

Minute Question 20 was resumed.

Rev. W. S. Campbell, Secretary of the Virginia Bible Society, was introduced to the Conference, and made an address on behalf of the society represented by him.

On motion, a committee of three on the Bible cause was ordered, and the Chair appointed the following to compose the same: W. W. Royall, W. E. Judkins, Richard Irby.

Robert S. Baughan, of the fourth year's class, being obliged to leave the seat of the Conference, his name was called in connection with Minute Question 12, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" and he passed in examination of character; and having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, was elected to elder's orders.

L. H. Holsey, one of the bishops of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America, was introduced to the Conference, and made an address on the subject of the new building now in course of erection at Augusta, Ga., for the use of "Paine Institute," in the education of preachers and teachers of the Colored M. E. Church in America, to be called "Haygood Memorial Hall," and solicited aid in its completion. A collection was taken, and \$507 was raised in cash and subscriptions.

R. N. Sledd, on behalf of the Randolph-Macon Institute, in Danville, Va., extended to the Conference an invitation to visit the

institution to-morrow afternoon at half-past three o'clock; and, on motion, the invitation was accepted.

A. G. Brown, who during the year was by Bishop Duncan placed temporarily in charge of the Rappahannock District for the purpose of conducting the investigation of rumors affecting the character of M. S. Watts, reported that the committee of investigation had found a trial to be necessary, and appointed J. E. Deshazo to formulate the charge and prosecute the same, and he delivered to the Secretary of the Conference the record of the investigation. And, thereupon, the Conference ordered that the President appoint a committee of nine to try the case.

On motion, R. S. Baughan was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session after to-day, and he was allowed to deposit with the Secretary of the Conference a sealed ballot for delegates to the General Conference of 1898, to be cast whenever the election is held.

And then the Conference adjourned.

Third Day.

FRIDAY, November 19, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by J. W. Shackford.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

W. W. Royall offered a memorial on the subject of the Epworth League; which was referred to the Committee on Memorials to General Conference.

R. Ferguson offered a memorial on the subject of the salaries of the preachers; which was referred to the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference.

Minute Question 8, "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" was taken up, and the following members of the second year's class passed in examination of character; and having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, were severally (with exception of L. T. Williams, H. F. B. Martin, Geo. E. B. Smith, John D. Hosier, P. H. Clements, who are already deacons), elected to the order of deacons: Charles E. Blank-

enship, Alexander L. Franklin, Graham H. Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, and Eugene J. Potts.

L. C. Shearer, of the same class, passed in examination of character, and not having appeared before the Committee of Examination to pass the prescribed examination, was continued on trial as of the class of the second year.

Minute Question 4, "Who are admitted into full connection?" was called, and Lloyd T. Williams, Charles E. Blankenship, H. F. B. Martin, Alexander S. Franklin, George E. B. Smith, John D. Hosier, Graham H. Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, Patrick H. Clements, Eugene J. Potts, and Thomas E. Johnson were examined before the Conference as the Discipline directs, and solemnly addressed concerning the relation about to be assumed, and severally admitted into full connection.

S. A. Steele, D. D., Secretary of Epworth Leagues of M. E. Church, South, was introduced to Conference.

The Conference took up the subject fixed for the order of the day at eleven o'clock A. M. on yesterday, which had been passed over unavoidably until now. The report of the Committee on the Plan of Entertainment was then read and considered *seriatim* and adopted. (See Reports.)

The Bishop announced the following to compose the Committee of Trial in the case of M. S. Watts: J. T. Mastin, J. Carson Watson, A. C. Berryman, Jos. W. Shackford, F. M. Edwards, T. McN. Simpson, W. R. Smithey, L. B. Betty, C. D. Crawley; R. N. Sledd to be chairman of said committee.

Minute Question 20 was resumed.

Minute Question 10, "What local preachers are elected deacons?" was called, and John K. Clayton, a local preacher of Petersburg District; John Thorndike Sewell, a local preacher of Petersburg District; Joseph T. Meadows, a local preacher of Danville District, were severally recommended by the District Conferences of their districts as suitable persons to be ordained deacons, and were elected accordingly.

John E. White, who has been on trial in the Conference for one year, and had been previous to his admission on trial a local preacher for three years, the Conference approving, was elected to deacon's orders.

Minute Question 14, "What local preachers are elected elders?" was called, but there was no application.

Minute Question 1, "Who are admitted on trial?" and R. H. Marks, a local preacher of the Richmond District; Frank Burruss, a local preacher of the Richmond District; Wallace R. Evans, a local preacher of Richmond District; J. C. Harry, a local preacher of Richmond District; Wm. E. Moore, a local preacher of Richmond District; John K. Clayton, a local preacher of Petersburg District; Joseph D. Langley, a local preacher of Portsmouth District, were severally recommended by the District Conferences of those districts; and having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishop, were severally admitted accordingly.

On motion, leave of absence until Monday was granted to Richard Ferguson:

On motion, it was ordered that a committee of three be appointed on prison reform. The Chair appointed the following to compose said committee: C. E. Vawter, R. T. Wilson, and J. H. Amiss.

The Chair announced the following to compose the committee on Memorials to the General Conference: Geo. C. Vanderslice, W. E. Edwards, W. J. Young, James M. Anderson, Ernest Stevens, C. E. Vawter, M. A. Cogbill, R. A. Blackwell, Richard Irby, J. C. Parker.

On motion of A. Coke Smith, it was ordered that the order of the day for to-morrow at eleven o'clock A. M. be the report of the Board of Education.

A. G. Brown, from the Joint Board of Finance, reported the following question of law arising in their business: "The Joint Board of Finance has received two financial and statistical reports, both as of the year ending November, 1897; one signed by 'H. C. Cheatham, pastor,' and 'A. W. Eley, chairman Board of Stewards,' and 'Lee Britt, Secretary fourth quarterly conference,' and the other signed by 'Wilbur J. Kilby, Recording Steward'; both purporting to be the official report from Suffolk charge, Portsmouth District, of Virginia Conference. The Board of Finance, therefore, beg to submit these facts to the Presiding Bishop, and raise the following question growing out of the case for Episcopal decision:

"When a Recording Steward removes by certificate from the church in which he was elected to that office, and unites by certificate with another charge of our church, does his tenure of office as Recording Steward cease as to the charge from which he has removed, or does he hold office, notwithstanding the said removal, until the beginning of the next ensuing Conference year?

On motion, the Joint Board of Finance was authorized to give such compensation as they may judge to be proper to the member of Conference who is appointed to collect amounts due for the Minutes.

And then the Conference adjourned.

Fourth Day.

Saturday, November 20, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by Wm. E. Judkins.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Permission was given to the Committee of Trial in the cases of M. S. Watts to sit during the hours of session of the Conference, and R. A. Compton was substituted for W. R. Smithey, who is incapacitated by indisposition for services on the committee.

A communication from James Atkins, Sunday-school editor of our Church, was laid before the Conference, read, and referred to the Sunday-school Board.

A communication from Miss Gibson, principal of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, was laid before Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

Leave of absence until Tuesday next was granted to C. S. Barrow, lay member from Petersburg district; and leave was given him to deposit with the Secretary of the Conference a sealed ballot, to be cast at the election for delegates to the General Conference, should it take place before his return.

On motion, J. T. Bosman was substituted for L. B. Betty, on the Sunday-school Board.

Memorials to General Conference were offered, as follows:

By C. E. Hobday: On subject of Transfers, Presiding Elders, etc. By W. G. Bates: On Increase of Bishops.

Which were referred to the committee on such memorials.

Minute Question 12. "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" was called; and Samuel C. Hatcher, James Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Frederick W. Proctor, Geo. E. Booker, Jr., A. B.

Sharpe, R. T. Waterfield, Wm. B. Beauchamp, Alfred A. Whitmore, Jas. W. Baker, Luther T. Hitt, and Clarke W. Leftwich, of the class of the fourth year, passed in examination of character; and having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, were severally elected to the order of elder.

The following memorials to the General Conference were offered and referred to the committee on that subject:

By James Cannon, Jr.: On subject of Presiding Elders and their Districts.

W. E. Royall: On subject of Conference Evangelists.

J. H. Amiss: On subject of Renting Property for Immoral Purposes.

W. J. Kilby: On subject of the Nomination of Stewards.

W. J. Kilby: On subject of Recommendation by Board of Examination of Institutions of Learning.

Minute Question 20 was resumed.

E. E. Hoss, D. D., editor of the *Christian Advocate*, Nashville, Tenn., was introduced to the Conference.

A. G. Brown and Geo. C. Vanderslice, trustees of the Hall Fund, reported the sum of \$146 as in their hands from income of the fund; which, on motion, it was ordered that they pay to the Joint Board of Finance.

At eleven o'clock A. M., the Conference took up the order of the day, and the report of the Board of Education was read by A. M. Hughlett, Secretary of the Board.

On motion, it was ordered that the resolutions recommended shall

be considered seriatim.

The first and fourth resolutions were recommitted to the Board for the purpose of consolidation into one.

The second was adopted, and, pending the consideration of the third, Jno. A. Kern, D. D., President of the Randolph-Macon College, was introduced to Conference, and made an address.

W. W. Smith, LL. D., Chancellor of the Randolph-Macon system,

was also introduced, and made an address to the Conference.

Geo. H. Ray moved to strike out of the third resolution the item recommending the raising of \$200 for Paine Institute, in the Educational collection, which was lost; and, on motion of A. G. Brown, the further consideration of the report was postponed, in order to give the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension an opportunity to address the Conference.

The Chair then introduced to the Conference David Morton, D. D.,

Secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the M. E. Church, South, who made an address on the subject of Church Extension.

On motion, the morning session was extended fifteen minutes to hear Dr. Hoss; who, accordingly, spoke on the subject of the conduct of our church paper, the *Christian Advocate*, at Nashville, Tenn.

And then the Conference adjourned.

Fifth Day.

Monday, November 22, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by William F. Bain.

The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The Chair announced the following to compose the Nominating Committee to name the Standing Committee on Conference Entertainment: R. N. Sledd, J. W. C. Davis, and James Cannon, Sr.

James M. Williams, alternate, was substituted for Jas. Traver, lay delegate from the Danville district, who is absent.

T.J. Taylor, from the Sunday-school Board, made report, which was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

The Bishop reported the following answer to the question of law propounded by the Joint Board of Finance; which, together with the question, was entered upon the Journal, viz:

Question: "When a Recording Steward removes, by certificate, from the Church in which he was elected to that office, and unites, by certificate, with another charge of our Church, does his tenure of office as Recording Steward cease, as to the charge from which he has removed; or, does he hold office, notwithstanding the said removal, until the beginning of the next ensuing Conference year?

"(Signed) A. G. Brown, Chairman."

Answer: "The tenure of office of a Recording Steward ceases in a pastoral charge on his removal therefrom. His tenure of office ceases when his membership ceases.

(Signed)

O. P. FITZGERALD."

J. H. Amiss, R. Ferguson, George H. Ray, and C. E. Hobday, offered the following:

"Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference be brought before this body and disposed of before delegates to the General Conference are elected."

D. M. Pattie offered the following as a substitute for the foregoing:

"Resolved, That the order of the day for this morning at 12 o'clock M., shall be the election of delegates to the General Conference."

And, after discussion, the substitute prevailed.

A. G. Brown offered the following, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the session of the morning shall, if necessary, be extended long enough to permit the taking of one ballot for clerical and one ballot for lay delegates to the General Conference; and that the tellers, with one of the secretaries, shall, in the interval between the morning session and the next, count the same, and report the result to the Conference."

The following memorials to the General Conference were offered, and on motion, referred to the committee on that subject:

By B. F. Lipscomb: On "The Burial Service of Our Church."
By Ernest Stevens and others: "A Burial Service for Children."

The Presiding Bishop reported the following ordinations in reply to Minute Questions 9, 11, 13, and 15:

Minute Question 9. "What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?"

Answer. Charles E. Blankenship, Alexander L. Franklin, Graham H. Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, and Eugene J. Potts.

Minute Question 11. "What local preachers are ordained deacons?"

Answer. John K. Clayton, John Thorndike Sewell, Joseph T. Meadows, and John E. White.

Minute Question 13, "What traveling preachers are ordained elders?"

Answer. Samuel C. Hatcher, James Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Frederick W. Proctor, George E. Booker, Jr., Arthur B. Sharpe, Robert T. Waterfield, Wm. B. Beauchamp, Alfred A. Whitmore, James W. Baker, Luther T. Hitt, Clarke W. Leftwich, and Robert S. Baughan.

Minute Question 15. "What local preachers are ordained elders?"

Answer. None

The ordinations all took place in this city on yesterday, except that of R. S. Baughan, which occurred at the Bishop's room, on the evening of November 18th.

Alex. G. Brown, from the Joint Board of Finance, made report on the subject of the publication of the Conference "Minutes," which, after discussion at length, was adopted; and the same is as follows:

On motion, it was ordered by the Board that the Treasurer pay to John O. Moss ten dollars for his services in collecting money due for Conference Minutes at the present Conference session.

On motion, it was ordered that in the future the money due for Conference

Minutes shall be placed in the envelope handed in to the Treasurer of the Board, and the amount paid in shall be indicated on the outside of the envelope. In case of the failure of any preacher to pay the amount due, the Treasurer shall give a list of the same to the Chairman of the Board, who shall read the same to the Conference.

The Joint Board of Finance (through A. G. Brown, Chairman), reported the totals in the several districts of the collections for the present Conference year, which were read by the Treasurer.

W. E. Edwards, from the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference, made Report No. 1, which was read and considered by paragraphs. Pending its consideration, with Joseph H. Amiss on the floor, the order of the day was taken up at 12 M., being the election of delegates to the General Conference to meet in Baltimore, Md., May, 1898.

The number of delegates to which the Virginia Conference is entitled, was reported to be six clerical and six lay. And the Chair appointed W. W. Royall and R. F. Gayle tellers to collect the votes of clerical members, and D. M. Pattie and J. C. Parker tellers to collect the votes of the lay members. The ballots being cast, the tellers retired, with S. S. Lambeth and B. F. Lipscomb (the latter of whom was elected Assistant Secretary for this purpose), to count the ballots in accordance with directions already given on this subject.

R. N. Sledd reported that the amount raised this year for Domestic Missions lacked about \$170 to pay the appropriations in full; and the Joint Board of Finance reported that about \$300 would be needed to pay the claimants on its funds in full; and a collection and subscription was raised on the spot to meet the demands, which amounted to \$470.

Minute Question 1, "Who are admitted on trial?" was resumed, and J. E. Brooks, a local preacher of Eastern Shore District, and John T. Sewell, a local preacher of Petersburg District, were severally recommended by the District Conferences of those districts; and, having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed for such applicants, were severally admitted into the traveling connection on trial.

Leave of absence after the present day's session was, on motion, granted to W. H. Gregory and D. C. Dickinson.

The tellers and Assistant Secretary Lambeth reported the result of the first ballot for lay representatives to the General Conference of 1898, as follows:

Whole number of votes, 43. Necessary to a choice, 22. W. W. Smith received 28; A. E. Kellam and C. E. Vawter, 27 each; R. W. Peatross, 20; W. J. Kilby, 14; E. G. Moseley, 12; R. S. Paulett, 11; R. B. Davis, 9; J. W. Bradbury and J. P. Branch, 8 each; J. P. Pettyjohn, Carter Glass, and G. J. Hunt, each 7; R. Irby, G. Anderson, F. H. Smith, and W. W. Vicar, each 6; remainder scattering. W. W. Smith, A. E. Kellam, and C. E. Vawter were declared duly elected.

W. W. Vicar, alternate in place of L. W. West, lay delegate from Norfolk District, and J. W. Bradbury and R. B. Davis, alternates from Petersburg District (instead of C. S. Barrow and Augustus Wright), took their seats.

A second ballot for lay representatives was then cast, and the tellers and Secretary retired to count the same, which they were authorized to do during the adjournment.

On motion, it was ordered that on Tuesday next, at 7:30 P. M., the order of the day shall be the report of the Committee on Memoirs, and that the proceedings of that session shall be confined to reading the report and appropriate religious services.

On motion, it was ordered that when the Conference adjourns this morning, it shall adjourn to meet again at 3 o'clock P. M.

And then the Conference adjourned.

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by the Bishop, C. H. Boggs offering prayer.

The minutes of this morning's session were read and approved.

S. S. Lambeth, Assistant Secretary, reported the result of the second ballot for lay representatives as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 40; necessary to a choice, 21. E. G. Moseley and J. P. Branch received each 15; R. W. Peatross, 12; R. B. Davis, 9; R. S. Paulett and Richard Irby, 7; Carter Glass, 6; J. C. Parker, 5. Remainder scattering.

There was no election.

B. F. Lipscomb, Assistant Secretary, reported the result of the first ballot for clerical representatives as follows: Whole number of

votes cast, 214; necessary to a choice, 108. J. P. Garland received 155 votes; R. N. Sledd, 153; Paul Whitehead, 148; A. G. Brown, 126; A. Coke Smith, 121; Wm. E. Edwards, 72; Jas. C. Reed, 65; W. G. Starr, 38; John M. Burton, 37; Jas. Cannon, Jr., 36; J. J. Lafferty, 33; R. T. Wilson, 29; W. C. Vaden, 20; W. V. Tudor, 19; J. E. Deshazo, 14; B. F. Lipscomb, 14; H. M. Hope, 10; R. Ferguson, 9; J. H. Amiss, 9; J. C. Watson, C. F. Comer, and R. F. Gayle, each 8; Geo. C. Vanderslice, J. R. Griffith, R. A. Compton, and W. F. Tillett, each 7; J. W. Shackford, 6; W. W. Royall, W. R. Smithey, each 5. Remainder scattering.

J. P. Garland, R. N. Sledd, Paul Whitehead, A. G. Brown, and A. Coke Smith, were declared duly elected.

A second ballot for the remaining representative was taken, and Ernest Stevens was elected Assistant Secretary, in place of B. F. Lipscomb, to accompany the tellers and report the result of the ballot.

C. E. Watts and others offered a memorial asking transfer of Fredericksburg to the Virginia Conference, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials to General Conference.

Thos. H. Campbell presented to the Conference the report of the "Rosebud" Missionary Society for the year, which was read for the information of the Conference. (See Reports.)

R. N. Sledd, from the Committee of Nomination, reported the following to constitute the Standing Committee on Conference Entertainment: A. G. Brown, *Chairman*, B. F. Lipscomb, Jno. O. Moss, W. W. Vicar, C. V. Winfree, which nominations were approved and confirmed.

A communication from the W. C. T. U. of Virginia was presented to Conference, read, and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The result of the third ballot for lay representatives to the General Conference was then reported as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 40; necessary to a choice, 21. E. G. Moseley received 18; R. W. Peatross, 18; John P. Branch, 16; Carter Glass, 11; R. B. Davis, 10; R. S. Paulett, 9; Richard Irby, 6; G. J. Hunt, 5; J. C. Parker, 5. Remainder scattering.

There was no election.

Another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

The Joint Board of Finance (through A. G. Brown, Chairman) reported the appropriations to claimants upon its funds, made at

the present session, which were read by the Secretary of the Board, etc.

The result of the second ballot for clerical representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 191; necessary to a choice, 96. W. E. Edwards received 58 votes; J. C. Reed, 54; James Cannon, Jr., 17; J. J. Lafferty and W. G. Starr, 13 each; J. M. Burton, 9; R. T. Wilson, 7. Remainder scattering.

There was no election.

A third ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

J. Cannon, Jr., and others offered a memorial on Worldliness, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference.

C. E. Vawter, from the Committee on "Prison Reform," made a report, which was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

The result of the fourth ballot for lay representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 42; necessary to a choice, 22. R. W. Peatross received 22 votes; J. P. Branch and E. G. Moseley, each 15; Carter Glass, 10; R. S. Paulett, 9; R. B. Davis, 9; G. J. Hunt, 7; J. C. Parker and R. Irby, each 5; W. J. Kilby and J. P. Pettyjohn, each 4; W. W. Vicar, 3. Remainder scattering.

R. W. Peatross was declared duly elected.

A fifth ballot was then taken and the tellers retired.

The report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Preachers' Relief Society was read to the Conference for its information. (See Reports.) And the following persons, nominated for directors of the Society, were, on motion, elected by the Conference for the ensuing year: Rev. J. Carson Watson, Rev. F. M. Edwards, Rev. Jas. C. Reed (of the Virginia Conference); and C. V. Winfree, W. J. Kilby, E. V. White, S. Q. Collins, E. G. Moseley, and W. W. Vicar.

The result of the third ballot for clerical representatives was then announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 187; necessary to a choice, 94. W. E. Edwards received 75 votes; James C. Reed, 59; W. G. Starr, 15; Jas. Cannon, Jr., 13; J. J. Lafferty, 9; J. M. Burton, 7. Remainder scattering.

There was no election.

A fourth ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

The following resolution was offered by Jas. Cannon, Jr. and Ernest Stevens, and adopted:

"Resolved, That the preachers in charge be requested to inform the publisher of the "Annual" how many copies of the "Annual" they wish sent them; and that the publisher be directed, in distributing the edition, to send copies of the "Annual" only to those who have indicated their wish to have them."

The result of the fifth ballot for lay representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 42; necessary to a choice, 22. John P. Branch received 17; R. S. Paulett, 13; R. B. Davis, 10; E. G. Moseley, 8; G. J. Hunt, 6; R. Irby, 5. Remainder scattering.

There was no election.

Another ballot was taken and the tellers again retired.

Geo. H. Ray, from the Committee on Publishing Interests, made report, which was read, and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

The result of the sixth ballot for lay representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 43; necessary to a choice, 22. John P. Branch received 20; R. S. Paulett, 17; E. G. Moseley, 11; Carter Glass, 6; Rich. Irby and R. B. Davis, each 5. Remainder scattering.

There being no election, another ballot was taken and the tellers again retired.

The result of the fourth ballot for clerical representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 165; necessary to a choice, 83. Wm. E. Edwards received 94 votes; James C. Reed, 46; Jas. Cannon, Jr., 7. Remainder scattering.

Wm. E. Edwards was declared duly elected.

It was ordered that a ballot be taken for three reserves to serve in the order of their election, in case any of the clerical representatives be unable to serve; which ballot was accordingly taken, and the tellers retired to count the same.

The following telegram was received by the Conference in response to fraternal greeting telegraphed to the Baptist General Association :

ROANOKE, VA., November 22.

"The Virginia Conference, Danville:

"The Baptist General Association returns fraternal greetings. Col. III, 15-17.
"R. W. CRIDLIN, Vice-President."

On motion, leave of absence after to-day's session was granted to the following lay members of Conference: R. T. Wilson, of Richmond District; W. P. Wise and J. C. Boggs, and J. E. Broadwater, of Eastern Shore District; J. H. Wall and W. K. Ballou, of Farmville District, and J. W. Grandy, of Norfolk District.

The result of the seventh ballot for lay representatives was announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 42. Necessary to a choice, 22. John P. Branch received 21 votes; R. S. Paulett, 20; E. G. Moseley and Carter Glass, each 8; R. Irby, 5; remainder scattering.

There was no election. Another ballot was taken, and the tellers again retired.

On motion of A. G. Brown, it was ordered that the Joint Board of Finance apportion to the several districts the deficiency in the collection for entertainment of the General Conference, in proportion as this deficiency is reported from them; and that collections for the same be taken in the several charges not later than in April next.

The result of the eighth ballot for lay representatives was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 42; necessary to a choice, 22. R. S. Paulett received 27 votes; John P. Branch, 21; Carter Glass, 8, G. J. Hunt, 5; J. C. Parker and R. Irby, each, 4. Remainder scattering.

Richard S. Paulett was declared duly elected.

A ninth ballot was taken and the tellers again retired.

The result of the said ninth ballot was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 41; necessary to a choice, 21. John P. Branch received 21; G. J. Hunt, 6. Remainder scattering.

John P. Branch was declared duly elected.

It was ordered that a ballot for three lay reserves, to serve in the order of their election in case any of the representatives elected should be unable to serve, be taken; and that the three persons receiving the highest votes shall be declared elected.

The result of the first ballot for clerical reserves was announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 147; necessary to a choice, 74. Jas. C. Reed received 118; W. G. Starr, 73; J. J. Lafferty, 45; Jas. Cannon, Jr., 29; Jno. M. Burton, 27; R. T. Wilson, 25; B. F. Lipscomb, 24; W. V. Tudor, 18. G. C. Vanderslice, 9; S. S. Lambeth, 7; H. M. Hope and J. E. Deshazo, each 6. Remainder scattering.

James C. Reed was declared duly elected.

On motion, it was ordered that the two persons receiving the highest votes on the next ballot be declared duly elected.

The second ballot for clerical reserves was then taken, and the tellers retired to count the same.

The result of the first ballot for lay reserves was then announced as follows: G. G. Moseley received 28 votes; J. C. Parker, 16; Carter Glass, 15; W. W. Vicar, 11, R. B. Davis, 10; R. Irby and W. J. Kilby, each 5; G. J. Hunt, 4; J. W. Bradbury and J. E. Broadwater, each 3; Geo. L. Nevill and M. A. Cogbill, each 2; ten other persons, 1 each.

E. G. Moseley, J. C. Parker and Carter Glass were declared duly elected.

The result of the second ballot for clerical reserves was then announced as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 84. W. G. Starr received 62; J. J. Lafferty, 40; James Cannon, Jr., 16; B. F. Lipscomb, 11; R. T. Wilson, 6; John M. Burton, H. M. Hope and W. V. Tudor, each 4. Remainder scattering.

And W. G. Starr and John J. Lafferty were declared duly elected. And then the Conference adjourned.

Sixth Day.

Tuesday, November 23, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by F. M. Edwards.

The minutes of the afternoon session of yesterday were read and approved.

Minute Question 20 was resumed.

A. G. Brown, from the Committee on Conference Entertainment, made report; which was adopted. (See Reports.) And the said report furnished the answer to Minute Question 40, "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?" Answer. "At Portsmouth, Va."

Leave of absence, after to-day's session, was granted to A. A. Jones, W. H. Riddick, Clarke W. Leftwich, Carter Glass, Isaac H. Adams, Jr., D. M. Pattie.

Geo. C. Vanderslice offered a memorial on the subject of restoring

to the Quarterly Conference the licensing of preachers; which was referred to the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference. And then the Conference adjourned.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P. M.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by Henry E. Johnson.

Minute Question 19, "What preachers have died during the past year?" was called; and the Committee on Memoirs reported the names of Jacob H. Proctor, Edward M. Peterson, Charles T. Gibbs, Hezekiah P. Mitchell, and Thomas P. Wise.

The memoirs of these deceased members of the Conference were read in the following order: Of Jacob H. Proctor, by Paul Whitehead; of Edward M. Peterson, by William G. Starr; of Charles T. Gibbs, by Thomas E. Johnson; of Hezekiah P. Mitchell, by George C. Vanderslice; of Thomas P. Wise, by Paul Whitehead.

The reading of the memoirs was interspersed with devout singing, the Bishop prefacing the report by appropriate remarks.

The report was adopted. (See Memoirs.)

After prayer offered by Wm. F. Bain, and the singing of hymn 646, the Conference adjourned.

Seventh Day.

Wednesday, November 24, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by George C. Vanderslice.

The minutes of the morning and evening sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee of Trial in the case of M. S. Watts, through R. N. Sledd, their chairman, reported the following as their verdict:

We, the committee in the case of Rev. M. S. Watts, having heard all the evidence in the case, and having patiently and prayfully considered the same, do unanimously find that the specifications are all sustained, and that said specifica-

tions do sustain the charge of immorality; and that the said M.S. Watts be expelled from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

(Signed),
J. T. Mastin,
J. Carson Watson,
A. C. Berryman,
Jos. W. Shackford,
F. M. Edwards,
T. McN. Simpson,
R. A. Compton,
L. B. Betty,
C. D. Crawley,
Committee.

R. N. SLEDD, Chairman.

Attest: S. S. Lambeth, Secretary.

Danville, Va., November 23, 1897.

The accused, through his counsel, gave notice of his intention to appeal from the finding of the committee to the next General Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

George H. Ray, from the Committee on Publishing Interests, reported an additional resolution, as follows:

"Resolved 2d, That the Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. George H. Wiley agent for the Richmond Christian Advocate for the ensuing Conference year."

This was, after discussion, rejected.

J. W. Bledsoe, from the Church Extension Board of this Conference, made report; which was adopted. (See Reports.)

J. L. Spencer, from the Committee on Temperance, made report: which was discussed and adopted. (See Reports.)

And on motion, Richard Ferguson and F. M. Edwards were appointed to represent this Conference in the meeting of the "American Anti-Saloon League," in Columbus, Ohio, in January next.

The Joint Board of Finance made distribution, in open Conference, of the funds to the respective claimants. The Board also reported that they had fixed upon the sum of \$14,000 to be assessed to the Conference for the next year to meet the claims of the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers; which was approved by the Conference.

The Preachers' Relief Society (by W. W. Vicar, Treasurer,) distributed the amounts appropriated to various persons by the Society.

Leave of absence, after the morning's session, was granted to George C. Vanderslice.

W. W. Royall, from the Committee on the Bible Cause, made report; which was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

Minute Question 2, "Who remain on trial?" was called; and John E. White, F. B. McSparran, John C. Granbery, Jr., Jesse B.

Lavinder, James E. Oyler, Robert C. Garland, Samuel J. Battin, and Ernest L. Peerman, of the class of the first year, passed in examination of character; and having (with the exception of F. B. Mc-Sparran) passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, were (with the exception of F. B. Mc-Sparran, who was continued on trial as of the first year,) severally continued on trial and advanced to the class of the second year.

Minute Question 7, "Who are the deacons of one year?" was called; and William C. Pace, M. S. Colonna, Jr., John W. Parrish, Dexter W. Reed, Gustavus W. Dyer, Geo. Wesley Jones, Thos. E. Johnson, and Frederick G. Davis, of the class of the third year, passed in examination of character; and having passed an approved examination on the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, were severally advanced to the class of the fourth year. W. T. A. Haynes and Robert L. Wingfield, of the same class, passed in examination of character; but not having appeared before the committee of examination, were continued as of the class of the third year.

The Conference resumed consideration of the reports of the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference, and discussion was continued on paragraph 1, referred to in the fifth item of the report, and the motion of James Cannon, Jr., to amend that item.

W. C. Vaden moved a substitute for the motion to amend; which, on motion, was laid on the table; and the vote being taken, the amendment was rejected.

John W. C. Davis and others moved the following, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That in the discussion of Memorials to the General Conference all speeches shall be limited to five minutes, and no one shall be entitled to the floor, on the same question, more than once until all others who so desire shall have spoken: provided, that the chairman of the committee shall be entitled to five minutes immediately before any decisive vote shall be taken."

The discussion was resumed, and the latter part of the fifth item was adopted.

On motion—

Resolved, That when the Conference adjourn to-day, it shall be to meet at half-past seven P. M.

The Committee on Public Worship reported the following appointments: To preach the opening serimon at next session of the

Conference, R. M. Maxey; J. W. Moore, alternate. To preach the sermon at the ordination of elders, W. V. Tudor; Charles L. Bane, alternate.

The Committee on Public Worship, having announced an appointment for Thanksgiving service in the Conference room at 12 M. to-morrow, W. J. Young to preach the sermon, on motion of A. G. Brown, the committee was requested to withdraw said appointment for the present.

And then the Conference adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by the Bishop, J. W. Bledsoe leading in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion of S. S. Lambeth—

Resolved, That the Conference will hold a Thanksgiving service in this (Main street) church on to-morrow at twelve o'clock M., and that W. J. Young preach the sermon.

Richard Ferguson, from the Committee on Conference Relations, reported the following favorably for the supernumerary relation: Wm. H. Camper, Thos. H. Early, Joseph A. Proctor, and W. W. Southall.

The report was adopted, save as to W. W. Southall.

On motion of James C. Reed, the recommendation of the committee as to W. W. Southall was rejected; and, on motion of J. C. Reed, it was ordered that W. W. Southall be located for inefficiency and unacceptableness, and that his name be returned in answer to Minute Question 16, "Who are located this year?" and in answer to Minute Question 17, "Who are supernumeraries?" the following names were entered: William H. Camper, Thos. H. Early, and Joseph A. Proctor.

Minute Question 18, "Who are superannuated?" was called, and the Committee on Conference Relations recommended the following persons for that relation; which recommendation was adopted, and these names accordingly entered in answer to said question: Jas. F. Brannin, Alexander M. Hall, Herbert T. Bacon, Edward M. Jordan, William F. Bain, William A. Laughon, Thomas J. Bayton, Jacob Manning, Henry C. Bowles, John McClelland, John L. Clarke, W. A. Robinson, John W. Crider, Lemuel S. Reed, Wm. A. Crocker, D. M. Wallace, Robert N. Crooks, C. S. Wamsley, Joseph J. Edwards, John P. Woodward, John B. Dey, James A. Riddick, James E. Gates, and James R. Waggener.

E. H. Rawlings, from the Committee on Epworth Leagues, made

report, which was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

C. E. Hobday, from the Committee on District Conference Records, made report, which was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

Conference resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Memorials to the General Conference by items, and Report No. 1 was adopted.

Report No. 2 of the committee was then made, and taken up by items, which was amended in several instances, and adopted as a

whole.

On motion of Paul Whitehead, the reports were recommitted to the committee, with directions to cast the same into the form of one memorial to the General Conference, and report the same to this Conference.

Leave of absence after to-night's session was granted to James W. Moore, Richard Ferguson, C. H. Green, C. C. Wertenbaker.

The Secretary of the Joint Board of Finance reported the statistics of the Conference in answer to minute questions. (See General Minutes.)

And then the Conference adjourned.

Eighth Day.

Thursday, November 25th, 1897.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

Divine service was conducted by R. W. Watts.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The Conference granted leave of absence after this morning's session to W. F. Bain.

The order of the day was taken up, and the Board of Education reported the amendment to Report No. 1, required by the action of Conference on Saturday last; also No. 2, which was read and the subject discussed at length and the reports adopted. (See Reports.)

The answer to Minute Question 39, "What are the educational statistics?" was furnished by the report (for which see the same).

The Board of Colportage (through G. H. McFaden) made report, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

A. Coke Smith offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the presidency of Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald has given eminent satisfaction to this Conference. His urbanity and brotherly spirit have endeared him to the members of this body. We rejoice in his improved health and pray the blessing of God upon him in all ways; and we beg to assure him that he will be always welcome among us, and we will be glad to have him preside over the sessions of our Conference at any time.

Resolved, 2. That the thanks of the Conference be tendered-

(1) To the citizens of Danville for the cordial hospitality extended to this Conference and never excelled by any place since the existence of our body.

(2) To our faithful and competent Secretaries.

- (3) To the reporters for their excellent reports of our proceedings.
- (4) To all railroad and steamboat companies which have given reduction in rates.
- (5) To pastors and congregations of other denominations who have offered their houses of worship for our use.
 - (6) To the sexton for fresh air.
- (7) To any and all persons omitted who in any wise have rendered service to the Conference.

On motion of A. Coke Smith, Ernest Stevens was appointed to take the place of E. M. Peterson, deceased, on the committee to examine the class of the fourth year.

The appropriations made for the ensuing year by the Conference Board of Missions and the Annual Report to Conference were read by L. B. Betty, Secretary of the Board. (See Reports.)

The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference reported the consolidation into one memorial of the action taken on yesterday. (See Reports.)

On motion of James C. Reed—

Resolved, That the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper hereafter be administered at the beginning of the Conference session instead of after the opening sermon, as heretofore.

On motion of A. G. Brown—

Resolved, That when the Conference adjourns this morning, it shall be to meet again at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The hour of twelve o'clock M. having arrived, the Conference took a recess to engage in the Thanksgiving service ordered yesterday, W. J. Young, as appointed, preaching from Nehemiah viii: 10. Devotional services preceded the sermon, and the worship was concluded by the Bishop with prayer and the benediction.

After which the Conference adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Joint Board of Finance, through B. F. Lipscomb, the Secretary, reported the assessments on the various districts for the Conference year 1897–'98.

Minute Questions as follows were called and answered in the negative: Question 5, "Who are discontinued?" Question 6, "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" Question 15, "What local preachers are ordained elders?"

On motion of J. T. Whitley-

Resolved, That B. F. Lipscomb be requested to publish 1,500 copies of the Minutes of Conference on the usual plan.

The Bishop announced the following to compose the Joint Board of Finance for the ensuing year: A. G. Brown, S. D. Turner, C. H. Boggs, M. A. Cogbill, J. M. Burton, L. Cockerell, R. W. Watts, F. T. West, J. W. Shackford, C. V. Winfree, J. T. Bosman, Dr. J. M. Williams, Jas. Cannon, Jr., R. S. Paulett, J. W. Stiff, L. L. Marks, R. B. Beadles, G. L. Neville, R. M. Chandler, W. W. Vicar, J. C. Watson, Jas. Cannon, Sr.

The name of J. Q. Rhodes was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation. The committee retired and soon reported favorably on the reference, and it was

ordered that his name be returned in answer to Minute Question 17, "Who are supernumerary?"

On recommendation of the Board of Education, the Conference confirmed the nomination of Jas. Cannon, Jr., as Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education of this Conference.

After the singing of a hymn and prayer, in which the Conference was led by John L. Clarke, the Bishop, in answer to Minute Question 41, "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" announced the appointments.

The minutes of the present session were read and approved. And then the Conference adjourned sine die.

IV.

THE APPOINTMENTS FOR 1897='98.

Names of Undergraduates in Italics. Numerals Stand for Years on the Charge.

	I. RICHMOND DISTRICT
1.	Richmond—Broad-Street
2.	Trinity and Chickahominy Mission,
	J. T. Mastin, 3; and John T. Sewell, 1
3.	Union Station
4.	St. JamesW. B. Beauchamp, 3
5.	Denny-StreetS. C. Hatcher, 2
6.	Fairmont-Avenue
7.	Manchester—Central
8.	Fifth-StreetG. H. McFaden, 1
9.	West-End Memorial and Asbury,
0.	W. T. Williams, 2; and one to be supplied
	by Harry Burruss, 1
10	HenricoH. J. Brown, 2
11	Charles City
12.	New KentE. A. Potts, 1
13	West New Kent
14.	West Point
15.	East King and Queen
16.	GloucesterJ. E. Potts, 4, and E. J. Potts, 4
17.	Gloucester PointAsa Driscoll, 1
18.	WilliamsburgJ. N. Latham, 2
19.	YorkJ. S. Wallace, 1
20.	Newport News—Washington Avenue and Chestnut Street,
	B. F. Lipscomb, 1, and M. S. Colonna, Jr., 1
	General Superintendent of ColportageA. G. Brown.
	Professor in Emory and Henry CollegeJames H. Moss.
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01	II. WEST RICHMOND DISTRICTPAUL WHITEHEAD, P. E., 4
21.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
22.	Clay-StreetE. H. Rawlings, 2
23.	Park-PlaceT. N. Potts, 3
24.	Laurel-Street
25.	AsburyB. M. Beckham, 2
26.	Highland Park
27.	Barton HeightsJ. Sidney Peters, 1
	Hanover
29.	3
	AshlandW. H. Atwill, 1
	Ashland Circuit
	West HanoverS. W. Day, 3
	CarolineJ. G. Lennon, 1
	Goochland
35.	West Goochland and East Louisa Mission,
	J. E. McSparran, 4, and one to be supplied by
	W. D. Mower, 2
36.	Cartersville
37.	Chesterfield
38.	West Chesterfield
	South Chesterfield
40.	PowhatanTo be supplied by T. Burton, 2
	Student Vanderbilt UniversityJohn C. Granbery, Jr.
	III. RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT
41.	White Stone
	LancasterB. E. Ledbetter, 3
	Heathsville
	BethanyJ. M. Burton, 2
45.	Richmond Circuit
46.	WhealtonE. F. Hall, 1
	Westmoreland
	Montross
	King George
	Spotsylvania
	Bowling Green
52.	Essex. W. B. Jett, 2
	King and Queen
	g direction

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54 Middlesex	J. M.	Anderson, 1
55 West Mat	thewsJ.	L. Pribble, 2
56 Mathews	J. E. Deshazo, 2, and Fran	ik Burruss, 1
Dringing	l Southern Seminary, Bowling GreenE	. H. Rowe,
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IV. CHA	ARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICTJ. S. HUN	TER, P. E., 3
57. Charlotte	esville, Belmont, and Rose Hill,	D. Landley 1
	W. E. Edwards, 1, and J.	D. Languey, 1
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59. Scottsvill	le	L. 1. mill, 1
60. Batesvill	eJ.	W. Carroll, 2
61. Nelson	R.	W. Watts, 1
62 Rockfish		W. L. Ware, 2
63 Amherst	t	. C. Jordan, 1
64 West An	nherstR	t. T. Clarke, 1
65 Mount I	Pleasant	D. W. Reea, 1
66 Milton M	Missionl	3. F. Smith, 4
67 Fluvani	Na	. J. Pruden, 3
68 Louisa	C. L. Bane, 4, and J. Q. Rhodes, supe	ernumerary,
69. Gordons	sville	C. F. Comer, 1
70 Orange.		
Geo 1	E Booker, Jr., 2, and W. H. Camper, sup	ernumerary,
71 Greene	W. A	A. S. Conrad, I
72 Madison	1)	r. G. Pullen, 1
73 Woodvi	ille	R. G. James, 3
71 Chilmon	en Eri	nest Stevens, 1
75 Culpene	er CircuitM.	A. Davidson, 1
76 Rappal	hannock	ra reiguson, r
Editor	of Richmond Christian AdvocateJ	I. J. Lafferty.
Preside	ent of Central Female Institute, Gordonsv	ville, Va.,
		J. T. Payne.
Confer	rence Missionary SecretaryJ	. W. Bledsoe.
V. Ly	NCHBURG DISTRICTO. LITT	LETON, P. E., 4
77. Lynch	burg—CentenaryW. Asbu	ary Christian, 2
78.	Court-StreetA. Coke Smith, 3,	and I. II.
	Early, su	pernumerary,
79.	Memorial	J. C. Reed, 4
80	Trinity	L. C. Shearer, 2
81. South	View and Providence	J. K. Clayton, 1

82. Cabell-Street	
83. Madison Station	
84. Bedford City	± '
85. Bedford Circuit	
86. North Bedford	1
87. Bedford Springs	J. O. Moss, 1
88. Middle Bedford	
89. West Bedford	J. W. Heckman, 1
90. Staunton River	W. C. Pace, 1
91. West Campbell	
92. Campbell	
93. Concord	J. W. Parrish, 4
94. Appomattox	
95. West Charlotte	W. J. Williams, 1
Treasurer of Randolph-Macon W	
Lynchburg,	VaR. M. Saunders.
VI. DANVILLE DISTRICT	W. P. WRIGHT P. E. 2
96. Danville—Main-Street and Floy	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	N. Sledd, 3, and J. C. Harry, 1
97. Cabell-Street	J. O. Babcock, 1
98. Mt. Vernon and Sun	nysideJ. T. Bosman, 1
99. Calvary and Washing	
	ylor, 1, and H. W. Dunkly, 3
100. Pittsylvania	
101. Chatham	· ·
102. Cascade	• /
103. North Pittsylvania	
104. Franklin	
105. East Franklin	
106. Middle Franklin Mission	
107. West Franklin	1 /
108. Henry	
110. Patrick	
111. Meadows of DanJ. B. Lavind	,
112. South Boston and Houston	
113. Halifax	·
114. East Halifax	W. T. A. Harmes 4
Professor in Vanderbilt Univers	
	W. F. Tillett.

VII. FARMVILLE DISTRICT	J. H. RIDDICK, P. E., 3
115. Farmville	T. McN. Simpson, 3
116. Prince Edward	
117. Prospect	
118. Charlotte	
119. West Buckingham	
120. Buckingham	W. E. Grant, 2
121. Cumberland	
122. Amelia	
123. Burkeville	
124. Crewe Station	J. T. Routten, 2
125. Blackstone	R. A. Compton. 1
126. Lunenburg	John O. Moss, 2
127. West Lunenburg	P. H. Clements, 1
128. Mecklenburg	B. S. Herrink, 2
129. North Mecklenburg	D. J. Traynham, 4
130. Boydton	W. E. Thompson, 3
131. Chase City	W. W. Royall, 2
132. Clarksville	
133. South of Dan	A. L. Carson, 2
134. Hyco	R. H. Mullen, 2
President of Blackstone Female Inst	tituteJas. Cannon, Jr.
VIII. Petersburg District	
135. Petersburg—Washington-Street	George W. Wray, 1
	R. T. Wilson, 3
137. High-Street	E. T. Dadmun, 1
138. Wesley	J. W. Stiff, 2
	R. E. Barrett, 3
	W. R. Evans, 1
141. Ettrick	R. B. Blankenship, 1
142. Matoaca	F. W. Proctor, 1
143. Dinwiddie	
144. East Dinwiddie	
145. West Dinwiddie	W. P. Jordan, 2
146. Nottoway	J. R. Sturgis, 1
147. Prince George	J. T. Moore, 1
148. Wakefield	W. E. Allen, 1
149. Sussex	J. E. R. Riddick, 2

150.	Greensville
151.	South Brunswick
152.	Brunswick
153.	West BrunswickJ. B. DeBerry, 1
	SurryL. L. Banks, 1
	Associate Editor of the "Richmond Christian Advocate,"
	Н. М. Норе.
	XI. Portsmouth DistrictJos. H. Amiss, P. E., 4
155.	Portsmouth—Monumental, West Norfolk, and Port Norfolk,
	L. B. Betty, 3, and J. B. Askew, 1
156.	CentralGeorge H. Ray, 2
157.	Wright-Memorial
158.	Owens-MemorialR. T. Waterfield, 2
159.	Park ViewW. R. Proctor, 3
160.	Norfolk Circuit
161.	ChurchlandV. W. Bargamin, 1
162.	Suffolk
163.	East Suffolk and MagnoliaJ. H. Kabler, 1
164.	WindsorJ. A. Thomas, 2
160.	EbenezerD. B. Austin, 1
166.	Isle of Wight
167.	SmithfieldJ. K. Jolliff, 1
168.	Benn's
169.	Newsom's
170.	Southampton
	Boykin's
172.	Whaleyville and Somerton
	Hampton—First ChurchJ. T. Whitley, 2
174.	
	X. Norfolk DistrictJ. P. Garland, P. E., 4
	Norfolk—Cumberland-Street
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182.	HuntersvilleTo be supplied by R. W. Webb, 2

183. Berkley—Chestnut-Street	Paul Bradley, 1 Proctor, supernumerary. J. D. Hank, 4 J. W. Baker, 2 H. Spooner, 1
190. Princess Anne	
191. South Princess Anne	
192. Fox Hill.	
Chaplain to Seamen's Bethel	
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XI. Eastern Shore District	W. C. VADEN, P. E., 2
193. Capeville	J. L. Bray, 1
194. Cape Charles and Cheriton, George J	W. Jones, 1,
	and J. E. White, 1
195. Franktown	N. H. Robertson, 3
196. Belle Haven	
197. Keller	
198. Wachapreague	
199. Pungoteague	W. H. Gregory, 1
200. Onancock	
201. Onley	
202. Accomac	
203. Bloxom	
204. West Accomac	W. G. Bates, 1
205. Wicomico	
206. Salisbury	
207. Berlin	E. L. Peerman, 1
208. Cambridge Station	
209. Cambridge Circuit	
210. Dorchester	
211. South Dorchester	

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MEMOIRS.

REV. JACOB HENRY PROCTOR.

BY REV. PAUL WHITEHEAD.

Rev. Jacob Henry Proctor, the first of the members of Conference to die during the present year, was a native of England, having been born near Holbeach, a village of Lincolnshire, in the year 1834.

His father was a farmer, a prominent member of the Wesleyan Methodist church, and superintendent of the Sunday school in his "society." His mother dying while he was quite young, Brother Proctor was committed to the care of an older sister, who with her husband removed to this country. With the consent of his father, the lad came along with them. He was then about twelve years of age, and had been religiously trained from his childhood, receiving special benefit, as he himself stated, from instruction in the Sunday school.

In the course of that Divine Providence which "shapes our ends," he came to Virginia; and in 1856 joined Clay-Street church, in Richmond, then under the pastoral care of George H. Ray. old chapel, where chiefly by the efforts and influence of James M. Taylor, this organization, now so strong and fruitful of good works, was founded, a Bible class was taught by Nestor H. Forbes which must have been remarkable, since out of its membership issued no less than four Methodist preachers; two of them, William G. Starr and Henry E. Johnson; a third named Nicholson (who died in Tennessee), and the fourth, Jacob H. Proctor. Johnson and Proctor joined the Virginia Conference at Elizabeth city, N. C., in November, 1857. At the end of his first year, young Proctor was discontinued that he might further pursue his studies, which he did at Lancaster ('. H., in a school taught by John Moody, meanwhile serving as junior preacher on the Lancaster circuit under the presiding elder. In-November, 1859, he was again received on trial at Lynchburg, Va., with the large class of that year, one of whom was destined to become His membership continued unbroken till death, though he was compelled by reason of ill-health to take a supernumerary

relation for several years (1869–1871), and later on to be superannuated for three years (1885–1888). During the greater part of the thirty-seven years, from 1859 to 1896, he performed arduous and faithful labors in the Lord's vineyard, mostly in charges on the south side of James River.

In 1866, he was married to Mrs. Virginia Young, a daughter of Rev. R. B. Foster, a well known local preacher of our church in Dinwiddie. There were born to them four children, of whom the two sons are members of this Conference. Thus the mantle of the father has descended upon two of his children, who continue the proclamation of the glad tidings of salvation begun by their father forty years ago, and add the special consolation of like faithful service in that holy calling to those memories of their father's godly life and earnest ministry which lie as a balm upon the bereaved hearts of their mother and sisters. God bless and encourage and richly endow the souls of the preaching sons of our preachers; and may the glorious line of descent never cease among us!

Brother Proctor was a good preacher; sound, clear, effective. He was industrions, prudent and gentle in administration, and his charges were usually prosperous and fruitful. Among the best years of his work were his last, in Bedford and Prospect. His memory will be cherished by hundreds who were indebted to his ministrations for their best spiritual help. Many were converted under his preaching, and the general interests of the Church received his fostering care and patient culture. From the heights of the Blue Ridge to the sands of the low country, voices break forth to call him blessed and keep green the memory of him who turned "many to right-eousness."

He was a quiet man, of natural reserve and few words; rarely spoke of himself or the particulars of his by-gone life. By nature, high strung and sensitive, he cultivated a strong self-control; but was confiding and fond of his friends, hospitable and free-hearted.

At the last Conference, having during the year suffered a severe and prostrating attack of "grippe," the consequences of which well-nigh disabled him, he believed that his effective work was done, and therefore applied for a superannuated relation. After Conference, he made his home in Petersburg, rightly conjecturing that his end was nigh. There he received good medical attention and all the relief which the watching and devoted nursing of his family could give. His disease steadily progressed, and on the night of March 21, 1897, near midnight, he was released from the languishing and pains of disease. He had borne his sufferings with complete patience, and through grace triumphed over death, rejoicing "in hope of the glory of God." Among his last words were these: "Patience has had its perfect work." "Jesus Christ is the first and the last. He is everything to me." Speaking of Heaven, he said, "I should like to be

there; but it is not far off; will be there, after a little while, bless the Lord!" Just before he passed away, seeing his wife and children about his bedside, he said, "Let us pray!" and presented by

name, each one to God for a special blessing!

He has left to his loved ones, to his church and brethren, the legacy of a good name. His body sleeps in the old cemetery at Petersburg, which contains the mortal part of so many holy men of God of our Conference; where sleep Cowles, and Charlton, and Kerr, and Stanley, and Hall, and the Petersons. Blessed company in which to share the resurrection of the just!

REV. EDWARD MARSHALL PETERSON, D. D.

BY W. G. STARR.

The object of this paper is not to outline a biography, but to furnish a brief memoir of a beloved minister of our own faith—an

honored member of the Virginia Conference.

During the month of November, 1831, Edward Marshall Peterson was born in the city of Petersburg, Va. At the age of fifteen, he gave his heart to his Saviour, and very soon thereafter

received a call from God to preach the Gospel.

Conscious that he was not quite ready to undertake the work, he entered Randolph-Macon College, where he hoped to obtain needful mental preparation, as well as spiritual tuition, in view of the everincreasing demands of the Church upon an evangelical gospel

ministry.

In a little while, a practical difficulty interrupted the plans of the young student. He had been reared in a Christian home, but he was born poor, and the death of his father not long after he attained his seventeenth year, seemed to extinguish the cherished hope of obtaining a collegiate education. This was an affliction, but it lasted only "a moment." The dear Lord did not forsake his young servant. Just then, when the way appeared to be hopelessly dark, human friendship brought an offering to Jesus and laid it on the altar of Christian education. With a heart full of gratitude to God, Marshall Peterson returned to College and continued to prosecute his studies with the eagerness of a miner in search of gold, until the time came to leave the school-room and go out into the great world.

Special mention is made of this early trial of faith in the religious life of our departed brother, because it was a turning-point in a career which promised great usefulness in the service of God. vigor of his intellect and the power of his pen in after years, when engaged in the discussion of doctrinal points or plans to advance the moral culture of the Church, give great emphasis to the determination of that brave boy to be a man that he might carry the burden of a man, and reap the reward of a consecrated man of God

at the end of his days on earth.

He received license to preach while at College, and continued assiduously to combine his academic work during the week with pulpit practice every Sabbath, conscious all the while that the hand of the Lord was leading him along the way.

In November, 1852, he was received on trial in the Virginia Conference during the session of that body in Fredericksburg, and remained, until the close of his ministry in this world, a faithful Methodist preacher—true to God, true to his Church, and true to

the best interests of the people whom he loved so well.

His first appointment in 1852 was to Gosport station (now Wright-Memorial Church). In 1854, he was stationed in Manchester. The pastoral charges which were served by him from that time may be named in the following order: Edenton, 1855–6; Suffolk, 1857; Clay Street Chapel, Richmond, 1858–9; Winchester, 1860; Lexington, 1861; Appomattox, 1862; Suffolk, 1863; High Street, Petersburg, 1864–5; Clay Street, Richmond, 1866–68; Gloucester Circuit, 1869–70; Clay Street, Richmond, 1871–2; High Street, Petersburg, 1873–4; Cumberland Street, Norfolk, 1875–6; Presiding Elder of the Farmville District, 1876–80; Suffolk, 1880–84; Mathews Circuit, 1884–87; Manchester, 1887-90; Memorial, Lynchburg, 1891–93; Queen Street, Hampton, 1894–95; High Street, Petersburg, 1896.

After taking charge of his last field of labor, his physical strength rapidly declined under the pressure of bodily affliction, and he notified his people that he could no longer perform the work he was appointed to do. The reply of the official representatives of the Church conveyed to him and his family tenderest words of sympathy and love. With that generosity of soul which is characteristic of our great Methodist brotherhood, the membership of High Street Church assured their slowly-dying friend and pastor that the work would be provided for, and that no interest of the flock of God should suffer on account of his enforced inability to serve it. With this burden lifted from his heart, he turned his thoughts to the event of his coming translation, and calmly looked for God's messenger to lead him to the heavenly home. Lovingly nursed by his affectionate people and his sorrowing household, he lingered until April 3, 1897; and then quietly feel asleep in Jesus.

An analysis of character is not called for in a brief memoir written to serve the purpose of our annual commemorative service. What a sainted servant of God has done during life is known to the Church, and we involuntarily think of the works that follow a consecrated Christian minister as the more important part of his career on earth. Our absent brother was an earnest worker. Whether engaged in repairing a church edifice, or building a new structure,

or visiting the membership, or devising plans for the future, he was never so happy as when fully occupied in keeping the vineyard of the Lord. He never watched the dial to see time fly. It was his chief joy to pick up the moments as diamonds dropped down from heaven, and then shape each one so that even the world might be taught that there is nothing on earth too little or too costly to be used in the service of the Master.

There is one distinctive department of our denominational work to which our brother gave his ripest thought, and the full measure of his strength—I mean, our revival work. It is unnecessary to ask the customary question: "How many unbelievers were brought into the Church under his ministry?" Those who knew him best will testify that his heart was literally filled with a zeal for souls. Large revivals aided him greatly in building up the Kingdom of God. Wherever he was sent, the Saviour mapped out a work for him to do; and his first day in heaven may have been spent in the company of hundreds who entered the "better country" because he led them to the Cross of Christ. He knew the meaning of spiritual anointing preparatory to pulpit work, and his noticeable efficiency in rallying the Church around the altar of prayer during a revival season, was the result of personal communion with God.

He was so intensely conscientious that sometimes his conduct was He sought to know the truth, and always plead with God to reveal the right way before taking the first step along what seemed to him to be the path of duty; but when his mind had been cautiously informed, and his judgment convinced that a certain phase of opinion or a selected line of work was right, nothing could dismay or drive him from his convictions. gaged in debate on the Conference floor, or in the management of Church enterprise, he was surpassed by none in an exhibition of allabsorbing interest; and his positiveness of statement may sometimes have led those who did not know him to think that his nervous words and earnestness of delivery betokened uncharitable thoughts concealed behind the fervid language of the speaker. This, however, can have no part in a true estimate of the man. He was intensely conscientious. That explains it all. He could not surrender an inch or an atom of what he believed to be right; and he carried that grand conscience with him up to the throne of Never did the official record of this Conference contain a name that will be more affectionately treasured in time to come than the name of Marshall Peterson. We all loved him, and the fragrance of his memory will linger long in the hearts of his brethren.

As a preacher, he held high rank. His sermons evinced careful study. Few deceased clergymen of any denomination have ever left a better record of attention to pulpit work. He collected a vast

amount of material, and used it with a single eye to the glory of God. The children loved him. He frequently preached specially to them. He did not spare his strength; nor did he hold his best gifts in reservation for great occasions. It was his aim always to practice the doctrine of God in the language of Paul, when he counselled the Corinthians to be "always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

As a writer, he won an enviable reputation. He was a welcome contributor to our Church journals. Many minds have been instructed and many hearts comforted during the past thirty years by those happily-expressed communications which came from his ready pen like streams of pure water from a fountain selected by the Divine will to be a benediction to the people of God. He was a valiant defender of the truth as he saw it from the observation-point of distinctive denominational belief. No controversialist could have been more courteous than he; and the Knights of the Quill, with whom he fought when doctrine met doctrine in bloodless combat, alike testify to the supremacy of his character as a Christian gentleman and an honest student of the meaning of the Word of God.

Many men, whose success in life has fairly entitled them to words of praise, lose control of personal conduct when borne aloft by the applause of the world. They are either unequal to the mental tension, or they sadly lack indispensable humility of spirit; at any rate, they spoil the value of their work by manifesting the sinful self-complacency of the Chaldean king in the midst of the Babylon he had built. It was not so with our sainted friend. The honors which were justly laid at his feet because of his loyalty to God, always remained—at his feet. They never distempered his brain with a feverish sense of self-importance. In close company with his Divine Master, he illustrated the self-abasement of a disciple who is willing to be a servant of servants. God only knows how well he served his brethren and the Church. This cannot be questioned, because a portion of every consecrated life is unseen by mortal eye. To his great soul God gave proof of the divine presence for service and not for rapture. No wonder that his loftiest ambition was, not to feast upon the adulation of the multitude, but to work for God until his weary flesh could work no longer.

After nearly a half century of faithful service in the Virginia Conference, our beloved comrade met Death like a soldier who has nothing to do but to strike his tent and follow the call of his commander. One day, during his last illness, he said to one of his children: "Your father will soon be in heaven." At another time he cheered his sorrowing wife with the words: "No one on earth can help me now; but I am trusting all to my God." Just before

the spirit left the wornout body, he awoke out of deep sleep and looked up as if in audience with his Father in heaven, and seemed to be thrilled with unearthy joy in view of his immediate departure. It is not strange that such a man should have faced the future with an all-conquering faith in God. When life reached the death-line, his happy soul found the intervening curtain drawn aside; and in a moment he was at home with God and the sainted dead.

Never again will we greet him when the roll is called at our annual gathering on earth; but we may try to serve the same Saviour with his own self-consuming zeal, and, after death, renew the sweet friendship of other years in that land where God's children meet to part no more.

REV. CHARLES T. GIBBS.

BY REV. THOMAS E. JOHNSON.

Rev. Charles T. Gibbs, the son of Pascol W. and Mildred Gibbs, was born in Bedford county, Va., September 10, 1869, and died in Charles City county, Va., May 30, 1897. He was the child of highly honorable and Christian parents, and was early converted to God, joining Mt. Olivet Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Bedford county, Va. At this stage of his religious experience he felt moved by the Holy Spirit to preach the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ, but he felt that he was not yet prepared for so great a work.

He labored hard on the farm and practiced economy, that he might accumulate the necessary amount to better prepare him for the great work to which the Holy Spirit had called him.

At length, in the year 1890, he obeyed the heavenly call; was licensed by the Quarterly Conference of Middle Bedford Circuit, and began to serve his Master in the capacity of a local preacher. In the meantime he sought better preparation for the ministry.

In 1892, he entered Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford City, Va., and remained there for two sessions.

In November, 1894, in the city of Charlottesville, Va., he was received on probation in the Virginia Annual Conference, and was sent to Staunton River mission.

At the Conference which met in the city of Richmond in November, 1895, he was ordained a local deacon by Bishop Chas. B. Galloway, and again sent to take charge of Staunton River mission.

At the close of his probation, in the fall of 1896, he was admitted into full connection of the Conference, and sent to Charles City mission. It was here, on May 30, 1897, that the death angel entered his chamber and carried his spirit to the regions beyond.

His course was comet-like—brief and brilliant. Had he lived to this session of the Conference he would have completed his third

year in the itinerant rank. He was a pious, zealous and promising young preacher. He was a most diligent and faithful pastor, and a hard, self-sacrificing worker. In his social intercourse he displayed such tender sympathy and sweetness of spirit as to win the love and admiration of those whom he served. He fought the battle of life bravely, and fell at his post with faith's victorious flag floating peacefully over him.

His funeral service was conducted at the residence of his parents, in Bedford county, Va., by Rev. S. S. Lambeth, D. D., and his remains were interred in the family cemetery, there to await the

summons of the resurrection trumpet.

REV. HEZEKIAH PHILIP MITCHELL.

BY GEO. C. VANDERSLICE.

Rev. Hezekiah Philip Mitchell was born in Essex county, Va., January 1st, 1827.

His father, Richard H. Mitchell, was a local minister in the Meth-

odist Church in that county.

He received as good an education as the county afforded, and, well equipped, entered Randolph-Macon College, taking a full course and standing well in all his classes, but failing health prevented graduation. After leaving College, he continued his intellectual training, including two modern languages not in the curriculum.

He taught three years as principal of a large academy; then law engaged his studious attention for two years, but just before entering that profession he heard the "call from on high," to enter the ministry, and was not disobedient to the "heavenly calling," and his success in the work indicated that he did wisely in obeying—for many stars will adorn his crown in the day when the Lord comes to make up his jewels and reward his faithful servants.

His charges were Powhatan circuit, Prince George circuit, Culpeper circuit, Lexington circuit, Centenary, Lynchburg, two years, during the war on his farm and pastor of King and Queen circuit four years, Middlesex circuit two years, Smithfield four years, Lynn Street, Danville, two years, Central, Portsmouth, two years, Charlottesville two years, again at Central, Portsmouth, Hampton, Liberty four years, Cambridge, Md., four years, where he succeeded in raising a great debt that had imperilled the very existence of Sonthern Methodism in that city, St. James, Richmond, one year, and Culpeper, where, in his fourth year, he closed his earthly ministry to enter into the eternal rest of heaven.

The death of any one, if the climax of a devoted Christian life, is always illumined with the rays of the Sun of Righteousness, as the highest peaks are the first to catch the rays of the rising sun.

Death came to him very suddenly, May 31, 1897, but the end was peaceful and without a struggle. The day before (Sunday) he preached twice with great power and fervor—the first at Culpeper, the second a Commencement sermon at Gordonsville before the pupils of the Central Female Institute, of which Rev. Jno. T. Payne is President, and a large and deeply interested and attentive congregation. This is said to have been a splendid effort, full of burning eloquence.

Returning home on Monday, he was cheerful, and seemingly improved in health; he retired early, but during the evening had conversed with his wife about the proposed division of the Conference and other subjects close to his heart. His devoted wife, soon after retiring, heard him breathing in an unusual manner, and when she called he did not answer; hastily arising and securing a light, she returned to find that his spirit had fled to the abode of the blessed; she realized that for him—

"Yes, the Christian's course is run, Ended is the glorious strife; Fought the fight, the work is done, Death is swallowed up of life."

The warrior slept, but arms and armor were by his side.

If a man's worth should be measured by his stature, he would have been among the great, for he was of tall and commanding presence, and is said in person greatly to have resembled the great warrior, statesman, and President, Andrew Jackson.

If measured by the *mind*, his was of a high order of talent, that had been carefully trained and well-stored with great truths, thor-

oughly assimilated, and thus made his own.

His sermons were carefully and prayerfully prepared, even frequently ornate, and at times he arose to a height of eloquence that captivated his hearers; but the truth was not lost sight of in a mass of flowers of rhetoric or the mere graces of oratory, but more deeply

impressed thereby.

But the Christian standard is the true one; and he having been happily converted when seventeen years of age, under the ministry of that sainted man of God, Gervas M. Keesee, continued to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The hours spent in communion with the dear Lord brought him into such intimate association with Him that he was taken up on the Mount, where, like Moses, he held sweet communion with Him, and God made glorious revelations to the soul that there lingered in seclusion, while the people and plans of the world were below; but He also took him down into the valley and caused him to pass, not through the fire of Molech, but the refining fire of great affliction, to burn out the dross and leave the purified soul like the refined silver that reflected the image of the purifier; and the gold

that bore the mark of the assay of heaven. Thence he was heavenly minded, and all saw that he had been with Jesus, who stood

by him in the fire.

He was happily married to Miss Bettie B. Edwards, sister of Rev. F. M. Edwards, of the Virginia Conference, and their home was blessed with a dear daughter, whose death, as she was blooming into womanhood, tested their faith; and while they were sustained by the grace of God, it left its chastening impress on their souls, and drew them closer to God.

REV. THOMAS P. WISE.

BY REV. PAUL WHITEHEAD.

Of the preachers who have died this year, the first and the last to lay down their burdens were the superannuates. On the 11th day of June, 1897, in Richmond city, Virginia, Rev. Тномая Р.

Wise passed from time into the eternal state.

He had been a member of the Conference for thirty-four years, save for a single year, when he felt obliged to locate. He was, however, promptly re-admitted, and, with fluctuations of health and consequent changes of relation, continued in the work until the year 1892, when he became permanently superannuated. He was born in Northampton county, Va., October 13, 1833; his parents' names were Major and Margaret Wise. In his infancy, they removed to Norfolk county, Va., where he was brought up, and where, in early youth, he became an orphan. His youth and early manhood were thenceforward a trying struggle with adversity. In poverty, without education and without influential friends, he made his painful way in life. But the spirit of all grace led him to the Lord Jesus at length—to the Consoler of all sorrows, the Reliever of all distresses, the Giver of rest, and the Inspirer of hope. With the conquering power of the new life in his soul, he improved his mental training and furnishing by private study, applied himself with diligence to the understanding of the Holy Scriptures, and soon felt persuaded that he was called of God to the ministry of Christ.

The Civil War had come on, and things looked dark all over the Commonwealth, and in no part of the State darker than in his native tidewater region. But he, nevertheless, entered the itinerancy at the Conference held in Richmond in November, 1863, and during the eventful years that followed, labored faithfully, taking hold with renewed hope and fervor in the time which succeeded the restoration of peace. He had then married, choosing as his partner in life, Miss Odell, of New Kent county, Va., a true-hearted and devoted wife, whose study it was, from first to last, to aid him in his

work and cheer and brighten the days of depression and discour-

agement which inevitably come.

In the course of his life as a Methodist preacher, his lot fell largely in the low country, and his health was seriously impaired, he was several times forced to rest, and, as already said, once to locate. But his heart was in the "loved employ" of preaching. About fourteen or fifteen years ago, he began a renewal of work in suburban charges, being unable to stand the travel required on circuits. He had no ambition to fill conspicuous or lucrative places; was willing to labor in poor and obscure communities. Among the enduring monuments of his fidelity and good judgment at this period, is the Denny Street Church, in the suburb of Fulton, at Richmond. This was erected during his pastorate of that charge, on a plan projected by him and carried out by his persevering purpose. The building of that house saved our work in that suburb, now so prosperous and hopeful.

After he was placed on the superannuated list in 1892, he endeavored for some years to support himself by teaching a school; but after a severe attack of illness, from which he rallied with much difficulty, he began to give signs of permanent decline. Within six months previous to his death, his condition of health became a matter of much anxiety to his family. He had fixed his residence within the bounds of the West Richmond District, where he responded to the occasional calls he received to preach the Gospel, and meanwhile attended with such regularity as his health permitted, and with much pleasure, the services held by our ministers within his

reach.

About the first of June, he lost appetite and power of digestion, and was soon prostrated. He had the prescriptions of skillful physicians and the tenderest attention of his family and friends. Everything was done that seemed possible to stimulate and rouse the flagging powers of life, but he rose no more, and sank steadily. The discipline of suffering and affliction which had borne such fruit, that he had himself remarked, in our Preachers' Meeting, at one of his last appearances there, "I believe that I am growing in grace," now displayed its full effect for good. Patiently and in perfect peace, with full appreciation of all that was done for him, and in full consciousness of his situation, how near he was to eternity, he waited his Saviour's summons, saying to the writer, in answer to inquiry: "All is clear; there is no dimness even on that pane." "With open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord," he passed serenely the lonely hours, while his chariot wheels were dragging more and more heavily. Solicitious for the feelings of his beloved wife and affectionate son (was there ever a son that loved his father more?) he would not consent that they should remain in his dying chamber to witness his last hours. On Friday, the 11th

day of June, 1897, he became unconscious, and at 7 o'clock P. M. entered into rest.

His funeral was conducted at Park Place Church on the afternoon of Sunday, June 13th, by the pastor, Dr. Potts, assisted by Drs. Brown and Whitehead, who read the burial service at Hollywood. In that beautiful place, where rest the bodies of great preachers of our denomination, to whom he had listened with delight—Smith and Doggett, Lee, Duncan, Edwards, Langhorne and Bennett—his dust is in charge of his Lord, in whose "sight" the "death of His

saints" is "precious."

Brother Wise was a preacher of good abilities, able rightly to divide the word of truth. He was clear in treatment, plain and lucid in style, of a grave and earnest spirit. He held tenaciously all the doctrines of Christianity, and was a genuine Methodist, without leaning towards bigotry or sectarian narrowness. He was a sincere lover of all good men. The trials of his latter years—sometimes very lacerating to his feelings—did not turn him from his Saviour or his brethren, but were, through prayer and patience, sanctified to the elevation of his soul completely above all worries and vexations. The serene height of that blessed frame was most strikingly manifest as he lay weak and helpless, without hope of recovery or thought of anything as to himself but waiting for his change. In this respect, may our "last end" be indeed "like" his.

VI.

REPORTS.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REPORT No. 1.

There is, perhaps, no cause to which our Church stands more distinctly pledged than to that of Christian education. Our Conference has, year after year, put itself on record in this matter by unanimous consent to resolutions of no uncertain sound—resolutions urging our people to put their children under the care of Methodist schools, where they may be not only instructed in all that pertains to liberal education, but grounded in the tenets of our Christian faith, impressed with the supreme importance and value of Christian integrity, and developed in all the Christian graces.

As an evidence of the genuineness of its convictions, it has established its schools. It has equipped them well and thoroughly, and has manned them with officers eminently well qualified to do the work intended. To-day, these schools, with all their facilities, with all the attractions that labor and thought and money have been able to supply, backed by our resolutions, echoing and re-echoing them, are bidding for patronage; yet are not full. Brethren, why is this? Your Board has asked this question time and again. Seeking an answer, it has received answers themselves interrogatories. 1. Some say that we cannot compete with the State. 2. Others say that our prices are too high. 3. Others still say that there is a lack of loyalty to our institutions on the part of our people, both among those who should be patrons and among those who should be advocates. Your Board begs leave to touch briefly on these three points:

1. We cannot be indifferent to the fact that the secularization of education, which has already been accomplished in the newer States of the West, threatens to destroy the work which we have so laboriously organized and hitherto maintained; and if we are to maintain what we have created, we must give more diligent attention to its needs. We must keep abreast of the times. Keeping abreast of the times appears to mean that we must offer facilities equal to those of State institutions at a cost certainly not much greater.

2. How can this be done? There is but one answer. We must free our institutions from debt and increase their endowments. We may argue that we are not doing cheap work; that we do not wish to compete with cheap schools; that our "goods are extra quality," and worth the price; but, brethren, what is the good of argument unless it convinces? Do we wish to make money, or to make men? Do we wish to coin dollars, or to coin character and stamp it with the imprint of eternity? If we wish the latter, we must have the boys and the girls; and to have them, we must make our facilities accessible to them by bringing the cost within their means.

3. This can be done only through the loyalty of our people. That it has not

been done is sufficient suggestion of a lack of loyalty. All that has been done has been done by a very few. The great heart of our people has not been touched; the conscience has not been aroused; the body has not been moved.

Your Board does not believe that the fault is constitutional, that the people are too avaricious, or too narrow, or too devoid of Christian spirit, to put these institutions upon an enduring basis of success; but that this lack of loyalty and interest is due to a lack of information and a lack of realization of our real needs, of the dangers that threaten us, and of the real importance of educating under Christian influences. Is there a remedy for this? We think so. May we not suggest that the preachers and laymen of this Conference can remedy it? Let each member of this bedy take this matter upon his heart and conscience. Let him catch the fire of enthusiasm and spread it. Let our preachers prayerfully and faithfully study the question of education, and with a deep conviction of the truth, show our people their duty in this matter. Let them advertise our schools by speaking well of them everywhere, by assisting the officers in the spreading of information concerning them, by encouraging our people to liberality, paving the way for success when direct effort shall be made to perfect the work so well and auspiciously begun.

We should feel no hesitancy in doing this. Under the blessing of God, we have a system of schools that no Conference could feel ashamed of, and that every member of our Conference should be proud to speak of. The example we have set has already been followed by the Missouri Conference, and will be followed by others.

Randolph-Macon College, at Ashland, Va., stands to-day as high as any college in the South. Her merit has been attested by the great universities of America and Europe. She offers to young men advanced courses in all the branches of liberal education under influences that cannot fail to help and stimulate them to high and noble aims in life.

Randolph-Macon Woman's College, at Lynchburg, offers similar advantages to young ladies, who are not slow to recognize them. Two hundred students, hard at work there to-day, bear testimony to this fact.

Randolph-Macon Academies, at Bedford City and Front Royal, are fully equipped to take care of younger boys, and are doing a work that patrons, almost without exception, commend in the most extravagant terms.

Randolph-Macon Institute, at Danville, and the Blackstone Institute, at Blackstone, are doing a similar work for younger girls.

These institutions are ours. They are the property of the Church. Every member of the Methodist Church in the Virginia Conference is, in a certain sense, a shareholder in them, and should rally to the support of one or another of them.

Your Board takes pleasure also in recommending to our people the following schools for young ladies, all which, though not the property of our Church, are run under its auspices, and are doing, as their respective Boards of Visitors testify, a valuable work in Christian education:

Suffolk College, Suffolk, Va.-Miss S A. Finney, Principal.

Southern Female College, Petersburg, Va.—A. K. Davis, A. M., Principal.

Southern Seminary and Conservatory of Music, Bowling Green, Va.—Rev. E. H. Rowe, Principal.

We are sorry to report that the District and Local Boards have not done very effective work. This is, perhaps, due to a lack of wise direction and supervision. We therefore earnestly request our Presiding Elders to see that the District Boards are properly manned and organized, and our pastors to exercise similar care with respect to the Local Boards. Some good work has been done. The Eastern Shore

and the Norfolk Boards have been active, and we believe that, with proper care, the others will do equally as well.

Your Board has received the third annual report of the General Board of Education, together with various tracts on educational subjects pertinent to the problems of the day and from experienced sources. These all indicate the increased activity and usefulness of this Board, and give promise of large results to our educational work in the future. The valuable statistical tables, the most complete ever furnished the Church, are full of suggestive facts. This great effort to organize and systematize our educational work we deem of especial importance at this time, when the Church has to stand firm in defence of its educational work.

Under the instructions of the General Conference, the educational work of the colored people has been placed under the care of the General Board, and the Secretary is now pressing the movement for the erection of the Haygood Memorial Hall, at Paine Institute, with prospects of early and complete success.

We offer for adoption the following resolutions:

- 1. That our pastors select some Sunday in the spring for preaching the annual sermon on education; and that, if proper, on this Sunday, the annual collection for education be taken; and we advise further that, wherever practicable, educational mass-meetings be held, at which the general subject of Christian education, and especially the interests of our own Church schools, be brought before our people.
- 2. That the presiding Bishop be, and is hereby, requested to re-appoint Rev. W. F. Tillett, D. D., Professor in Vanderbilt University, and Rev. James Cannon, Jr., President of Blackstone Female Institute; and to appoint Rev. John T. Payne President of Central Female Institute, Gordonsville, Va.; and Rev. E. H. Rowe, President of the Southern Seminary and Conservatory of Music, Bowling Green, Va.; and Rev. J. H. Moss, Professor in Emory & Henry College; and Rev. R. M. Saunders, Chaplain at Randolph Macon Woman's College.
- 3. That the Joint Board of Finance be requested to apportion to the several districts \$3,500 for the benefit of Randolph-Macon College, and \$564 for the uses of the General Board, and \$200 for Paine and Lane Institutes—the whole sum of \$4,264 to be pro rated.

A. M. HUGHLETT, Secretary.

A. COKE SMITH, Chairman.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REPORT No. 2.

We commend to the favorable consideration of our people the Central Female Institute, Gordonsville, Va., Rev. J. T. Payne, Principal. This school is properly endorsed by the Board of Visitors appointed by your Board.

We submit the following resolutions:

- 1. That our Presiding Elders be respectfully requested to preach one sermon on each charge of their Districts on the subject of Christian education, and that they use their best efforts to incite among our people interest in this matter.
- 2. That we respectfully suggest that the representatives of Christian colleges make such representations to the Legislature of Virginia as will insure a fair treatment of the graduates of said colleges in the appointment of teachers in the public schools; and that Chancellor Smith be requested to place the matter before said convention.

We submit the following statistics:

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE

NAME OF INSTITUTION.	LOCATION.	PRESENT CHIEF OFFICER.
I. Colleges and Universities.		
Randolph-Macon College	Ashland, Va	Rev. Jno. A. Kern. D. D., Pres
Randolph-Macon Woman's College	Lynchburg, Va	Wm. W. Smith, A. M., LL. D., Pres.
Suffolk College	Suffolk, Va	Sally A. Finney
Southern Female College	Petersburg, Va	Arthur Kyle Davis, A. M
II. ACADEMIES AND SEMINARIES.		
Randolph-Macon Academy	Bedford City, Va	A. M. Hughlett, A. M. Principals. E. S. Smith,
Randolph-Macon Academy	Front Royal, Va	Wm. W. Smith, Principal
*Randolph-Macon Institute	Danville, Va	R. E. L. Farmer, A. M., Principal
Central Female Institute	Gordonsville, Va	Rev. Jno. T. Payne
Blackstone Female Institute	Blackstone, Va	Rev. Jas. Cannon, Jr
Southern Seminary	Bowling Green, Va.	Rev. E. H. Rowe

^{*}Opened September, 1897. Has enrolled 86 students.

COLPORTAGE.

The Board of Colportage begs leave to submit its annual report, as follows:

The subject of colportage opens up a broad field for thought and activity. It is wonderfully suggestive of opportunities that may, and should be, used to the glory of the Master in turning men "from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God," by means of the printed page. Without controversy there is scarcely a more important work in the whole world than the dissemination of religious literature. The amount of good done by the agency of good books and periodicals cannot now be estimated, but must be left to eternity to make the revelation.

We have endeavored to give the matter of colportage our deliberate and earnest consideration, taking great care not to lose sight of anything which we believe pertains to the betterment and enlargement of the enterprise in our midst. We very much regret that the achievements of the Board have not been greater in this field of Christian usefulness, but, conscious of the inadequacy of our means, we feel deeply thankful for what has been accomplished; and take courage because, under the good management of our superintendent, the work continues to move forward with healthful vigor. Dr. Brown came before the Board and gave us free and full nformation relative to his work, explaining in a most satisfactory manner his

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[†]Operated under the R. M. C. Charter amended.

A. COKE SMITH, Chairman.

A. M. HUGHLETT, Secretary.

management and methods. It is highly gratifying to know that prosperity and progress still attend this movement of the Church, and it is to be hoped that the future will bring about greater and more blessed results.

The report of the Executive Committee and that of Dr. Brown were read and duly considered, and they are hereby submitted as a part of the report from the Board of Colportage.

To the Board of Colportage of the Virginia Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN,—Your committee made a visit to the Depository, at Ashland, Va., on the 28th of last September, and after an examination of the books, papers, etc., of the business, we find that Dr. Brown is still doing a valuable work for the Church. His energetic business methods have considerably extended the field for the dissemination of religious literature among our people; and, if for no other reason, surely for his work's sake, he should have the hearty support of the Church.

G. H. McFaden, W. T. Williams, Executive Committee.

[‡]Founded and opened in 1869.

This was the gross amount, and it was all expended in the operation of the school.

Purchase price in 1888, though not worth it.

To the Colportage Board Virginia Conference M. F. Church, South, Danville, Va:

DEAR BRETHREN,—We are now closing the most successful year of the colportage work in the Virginia Conference. The blessing of God upon our limited means and instrumentalities has enabled us to sell and disseminate this year \$9,060.00 worth of Bibles and religious books, periodicals, tracts, catechisms, Sunday-school libraries, and requisites generally, church registers, records of Church Conferences, Quarterly Conferences, Epworth Leagues, etc.

ENCOURAGING INCREASE.

While this measure of success falls far short of the possibilities of our great work, yet it gives inestimable proof of increasing usefulness, and shows improvement of 9 per cent. over last year's business. Let us, therefore, "Thank God, and take-courage."

CASH PAYMENTS.

We have remitted to Messrs. Barbee & Smith, our General Book agents, at Nashville, Tenn., in monthly installments, the sum of \$5,375.85, and to other houses, for books not of our publication, \$353.16. Total, \$5,729.01, averaging \$477.44 per month, an increase in cash payments of \$878.49, which is 18 per cent. Cash payments, to which we have steadily adhered, notwithstanding the unrelenting stringency of the times, has made it possible to purchase stock at bottom prices. Better still, it has kept us free from debt—a blessed freedom!

PROFITS OF THIS BUSINESS.

The gross profits of the year foot up \$3,330.66, of which \$822.60 was applied to our general expense account; \$1,963.06 to commissions and discounts allowed colporters and customer's generally; leaving a net balance of \$545, which belongs to your General Superintendent, as per agreement, and is actively employed by him in his efforts to push forward the business of the Board.

EXPENSES ITEMIZED.

The utmost care and economy is required to keep down our General Expense account, aggregating, as above, \$822.60. Its items are as follows: Clerical services, \$300; interest and discounts, \$120; stationery and postage, \$150; advertising and printing, \$55.60; rent, \$50; porterage and drayage, \$25; insurance, \$20; freight and express charges, \$75; traveling expenses, \$27. Total, \$822.60.

SELF-SUPPORT.

Our plan of colportage, as you know, is based upon the principle of self-support. No assessments are made for this important work. No collections are solicited or lifted to supplement our cash receipts. Not a donation of money, or of Bibles, books, tracts, etc., have we received. Neither have the officers of the Board, nor the colporters they employ, received promise of specific compensation for their services, but in every case compensation is conditioned on efficiency and success in the work. These facts, which differentiate and distinguish our plan of colportage from all others, constitute its glory and its peril. We have found it necessary, therefore, to adopt a liberal schedule of commissions on sales for the benefit of those who do colportage work, and at the same time to extend to all our preachers, churches and

Sunday schools the same discounts allowed by Messrs. Barbee & Smith in the books and periodicals of our Publishing House. This we have ever done; and shall ever do, in all cases!

THE CONFERENCE DEPOSITORY.

Our Conference Depository, at Ashland, Va., established by the Conference and for the Conference, is a vital and essential feature in our system of colportage. It transports the publications of our House, at Nashville, Tenn., to a central and accessible locality in our State, at its own cost, and charges nothing for boxing, packing, drayage, etc. By this arrangement our colporters and patrons save both time and money, supplying themselves cheaply and quickly, with the standard books and periodicals of our House, at Nashville. And while a valuable convenience to our preachers and people, our Depository is of great utility to our House at Nashville; for it sells, almost exclusively, their publications, at their own prices, gets only such discounts as the House may be willing to grant; and guarantees, in all cases, the payment of every order sent them through its agency.

THE CAPITAL REQUIRED.

But for obvious reasons, the steadily-growing business of our Conference Depository cannot be pleasantly and successfully conducted on less than a capital of \$5,000.

- (1st) Because to ensure dispatch in filling orders, the Depository must have a full and varied stock of goods, ranging in value from \$2,000 to \$3,000 always on hand
- (2d.) Because our colporters and patrons often require indulgence; and for their accommodation the Depository must carry a line of credits of from \$1,500 to \$2,500. As far as possible, the Depository should do a cash business; but it could not demand cash in all cases without loss of trade, and, what is worse, without loss of many best opportunities to do a good work for the Church and for the souls of timen.
- (3d.) Because the credit of the Depository, which should never be less than first-class, demands it; and the favorable opportunities, occurring from time to time, to use a ready cash capital advantageously, make it almost essential to large and permanent success.

Under my administration, this need has been supplied by a free use of my personal credit and private means.

MEN FOR THE WORK.

In my report of November, 1895, you were informed that twenty-two colporters had I een employed in our work, of whom three had died at their posts of duty, and fifteen had grown weary, dropped out, or been discontinued, leaving only three then in the field. Since then we have found it more and more difficult to secure suitable men for the work, and quite recently our colporter in the Lynchburg district has felt constrained to resign his commission and retire from that wide and inviting field of usefulness. Nevertheless, having done what we could, the issue is with God. In the future, as in the past, the work of colportage may be most successfully accomplished through the normal agencies of Methodism, chief of which is our itinerant ministry, aided by the Epworth League, the Sunday schools, and the benevolent societies, with here and there an elect lady and a consecrated man, having "a mind for the work." New and fruitful fields of Christian endeavor will open to them; their talents and graces will find pleasant and healthful exercise;

and the educative effect and spiritual uplift thus secured will bring us "showers of blessings," whose exact value cannot be expressed in figures, and whose net results cannot be tabulated this side of eternity!

ALEX. G. BROWN,

General Superintendent.

We desire especially to invite your attention to the above report from Dr. Brown, for it is unques ionably encouraging to all who feel interested in the dissemination of religious books and periodicals.

We also offer the following resolutions for adoption by the Conference:

1. That we commend the work done by our General Superintendent, and earnestly request our people to give him their patronage.

2. That we nominate and request the Conference to elect Rev. A. G. Brown, D. D., General Superintendent of Colportage.

J. D. FORKNER.

Secretary.

W. T. WILLIAMS,

Chairman.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-School Board offers the following report:

We are glad to note that from year to year there has been a steady and healthy increase in the number of our Sunday-schools, officers, teachers, and scholars; and also a deepening interest in studying and teaching the Word of God. This preeminently important work should grow until every Church member is in some way connected with the Sunday-school work, and studying the Sunday-school lessons. We cannot state the number of scholars converted this present year; but our Conference Annual shows that 3,288 of our Sunday-school pupils were led to Christ last year. This marked blessing of the Holy Spirit on our labors should encourage us to look and pray for the time when all our Sunday-school scholars shall love the Lord.

The increased interest in this work and its efficiency is in a measure due, we think, to improvement in our Sunday-school literature. The periodicals edited by Rev. James Atkins, D. D., and sent out by our Publishing House are better adapted to our wants than any other, and should not be substituted by any. It is true that complaint has been made that the lessons prepared for the primary department need to be made simpler to meet the necessities of the infant mind, and this we urge upon our editor. However, the quarterlies and magazines and our Sunday-School Visitor have great merit, and are equal to the best publications of their class.

We call attention to the "Home Department" which, though recently introduced, is becoming popular, it is claimed, because it meets a long felt want. It is a department of the Sunday-school intended to secure regular and careful study o the Sunday-school lessons at their homes by persons who cannot attend its sessions. We recommend that our Sunday-school workers examine this plan, and, where practicable, introduce it in their Sunday-school work.

We have reason to believe that the "Children's Day" is growing in favor with our people, and that the money collected on these occasions and distributed by this Board among destitute schools has accomplished great good. The Treasurer's report shows that eighty-eight Sunday-schools were aided during the present year.

The following plan has been adopted by the Board for the distribution of its funds:

- 1. There shall be an Executive Committee, consisting of three members from the Board, of whom the chairman shall be one, to whom all applications for aid shall be made.
- 2. The chairman shall publish in the *Richmond Christian Advocate* notice when the committee is ready to receive applications for aid.
- 3. The chairman shall have blank forms prepared, with the following questions: (1) Name of district; (2) Name of charge; (3) Is it a new school? (4) Name of school; (5) How many scholars may you reasonably expect? (6) Is it strictly a Methodist school? (7) Have they been using our Methodist literature? (8) Will you use our Methodist literature? (9) Give, as nearly as you can, the needed numbers of (1) Magazines, (2) Senior Quarterlies, (3) Intermediates, (4) Lesson Papers, (5) Our Little People, (6) Sunday-school Visitors, (7) Catechisms, (8) Young People's Hymnal or other singing books, (9) Library books, (10) Other Sunday-school supplies, (11) Total amount needed, (12) Do you propose having a Children's Day service this Conference year?
- 4. The application must be signed by the Superintendent, if there be one, and endorsed by the preacher or presiding elder in charge of the work where the school is located. Let the application be forwarded to the chairman.
- 5. The chairman shall call a meeting of the committee at some suitable place, when the applications shall be considered.
 - 6. The first distribution of funds shall be made before the 1st of March.
- 7. Drafts for the several sums given the schools, signed by the chairman, shall be made upon the Treasurer of the Board, who shall, on receipt of same, pay the amount to the party mentioned in said draft.

Your Board recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

- 1. That we urge upon our pastors and people the importance of using our own literature in our schools.
- 2. That we stress the necessity of holding Children's Day services in each pastoral charge, as ordered by the General Conference.

toral charge, as ordered by the General Conference.
3. That we recommend the organization of a "Teachers' Meeting" in every school where it may seem practicable.

Below will be found a list of the appropriations made by the Board during the Conference year.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. TAYLOR, Chairman,

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Brought forward from last Conference as surplus	\$ 140 1,027	06 59
Total	\$1,167	65
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Jan. 11—Paid Rev. W. W. Lear, Semmes Mission, Manchester, Central Charge	\$ 25	00
Paid Rev. J. O. Babcock, Ninth-Street Mission, Manchester,		
Jan. 12—Paid Rev. A. L. Carson, Harmony, Olive Branch, Cedar		00
Grove, South of Dan Charge	30	00

Jan. 15—Paid Rev. J. W. Heckman, Andrew Chapel, Goochland Charge. Feb'y 4—Paid Rev. J E. Oyler, Providence, Hazel, Patmos, Indepen-	15 00
dence, Cross Roads, Staunton River Charge	25 00
Paid Rev. C. H. Williams, Zion, Tabernacle, Lebanon, Grace, Shady Grove, Beech Grove, Olivet, Spotsylvania Charge	50 00
Feb'y 22-Paid Rev. J. E. McSparran, Octagon, Gum Spring, Corinth,	00.00
Oak Grove, West Goochland Charge Paid Rev. A. B. Sharpe, Smithville and Hebron, Charlotte	30 00
Charge	45 00
Paid Rev. C. H. Boggs, Highland Park, Highland Park Charge,	30 00
Paid Rev. T. J. Taylor, Epworth Mission, Laurel street Charge	15 00
Paid Rev. W. E. Allen, Fox Hill, Fox Hill Charge	25 00
Paid Rev. L. J. Phaup, Madison, Madison Charge	25 00
Chapel, West Brunswick Charge	18 00
Mar. 1—Paid Rev. J. H. Amiss, Port Norfolk Mission Paid Rev. S. R. Drewry, Hopewell, Trinity, Olive Branch,	40 00
Pittsylvania Charge Paid Rev. C. E. Blankenship, Piedmont, Price, Rock Spring,	25 00
New Hope, West Franklin Charge	20 00
Paid Rev. R B. Scott, Chester, Chesterfield Charge	25 00
Paid Rev. W. A. S. Conrad, Rappahannock Charge	25 00
Paid Rev. N. H. Robertson, Franktown, Johnstown, Frank-	
town Charge	45 00
James, Clarksville Charge	35 00
rial, Hooper's Island Charge	20 00
Paid Rev. W. D. Mower, Union Chapel, Harris Chapel, East	
Louisa Charge	15 00
Mch. 15-Paid Rev. J. Q. Rhodes, Gentry's, Temple Hill, Swift Run,	
Greene Circuit Charge	22 00
Paid Rev. R. G. James, Mt. Airley, Bethlehem, Woodville	
Charge	15 00
Mch. 19—Paid Rev. R. L. Wingfield, Moore's Mill, Henry Charge Mch. 18—Paid Rev. T. P. Dake, New Bethel, Motley's, Staunton, North	10 00
Pittsylvania Charge	15 00
Mch. 23—Paid Rev. J. W. S. Robins, Asbury, Lancaster Charge	30 00
lin Charge	10 00
Paid Rev. J. E. McCullock, Asbury Mission, Asbury, Man-	30 00
chester Charge Mch. 30—Paid Rev. E. V. Carson, St. John's, Pine Grove, Jetersville,	
Amelia Charge	30 00
April 1—Paid Rev. J. T. Bosman, Brighton, Wright Memorial Charge,	20 00
Paid Rev. J. T. Sewell, West Street, West-street Charge	25 00 35 00
April 20—Paid Rev. J. C. Reed, Deerington, Memorial Charge	4 85
May 3—Paid Rev. B. M. Beckham, Beaver Dam, W. Hanover Charge, Paid Rev. R. H. Mullen, Virgetina, Christie, Cherry Hill, Mt.	
Cana, Mayo, Hyco Charge	25 00
Paid Rev. O. Littleton, South View, Lynchburg Charge	25 0

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May	barrara, west rollit, west rollit charge.	20	00
	Paid Rev. J. W. Shackford, Centre Point, Bedford Charge		00
May	Paid Rev. J. K. Jolliff, Cape Charles, Cape Charles Charge	20	00
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May	Charge		68
•/	25—Paid Rev. W. J. Williams, Kelleysville, Hopewell, Culpeper	13	00
June	Charge	10	00
Jan.	Charge	5	00
	of Education, half surplus from last Conference year	70	03
	Board, half surplus from last Conference year	70	03
	Treasurer, for check book, stamps, etc		75
	Total	\$1,163	34
N.T	Balance in Treasurer's hands	4	31
NOV.	16—T. J. Taylor, Epworth, Laurel street	2	72
	Balance in hand	\$1	59
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T. J. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

MEMORIALS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

We, the Virginia Annual Conference, in session at Danville, Va., respectfully memorialize the General Conference to assemble in Baltimore, May, 1898, to make the following changes in and additions to our Discipline and Ritual:

1. That such legislation be enacted as will authorize unordained preachers, when serving as preachers in charge, to administer the sacraments and solemnize the rites of matrimony.

2. That the Discipline of our church be so changed as to bring the Epworth League more fully into touch with the general machinery of the church, as follows:

(1). In Paragraph 77, in answer to the question, "Who shall compose the Quarterly Conference?" add after the words "Secretaries of Church Conferences," the words, "Presidents of the Epworth Leagues," so that they may be recognized as belonging to the body.

(2). Add to the question now asked in the Quarterly Conference the following: Question—" Who are confirmed as presidents of the Epworth Leagues?"

3. That paragraph 105 be so changed as to read: "To see that the Districts be formed according to his judgment."

4. To change paragraph 100 so that it shall read as follows: Provided, that he shall not allow any elder to preside in the same district more than four years successively, nor shall any preacher hold the office of Presiding Elder more than eight years successively.

5. To change the Burial Service of our Church in the following particulars:

(1). On page 218, § 443, let these words be inserted—namely: "Or some other suitable portion of the Holy Scriptures," so that the sentence referred to 5

shall read thus: "After they come into the church or house shall be read Psalm 90, or some other suitable portion of the Holy Scriptures."

(2). Let the same words be inserted on page 220, so that the sentence referred to shall read thus: "Then shall follow the lesson 1 Cor. 15, 20–58, or some other suitable portion of the Holy Scriptures."

(3). On page 224 let the following prayer, and the caption thereof, be inserted between the Lord's Prayer and the collect. "Then the minister shall say one or both of the following prayers, at his discretion: Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; we give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

6. To add a chapter to the Discipline immediately following the chapter on Temperance, which chapter shall read as follows:

WORLDLINESS.

Question. "What shall be done to prevent the spread of worldliness among our churches, especially in its most open forms?"

Answer 1. Let all our preachers and members faithfully observe our General Rules, which forbid "softness or needless self-indulgence, and the taking such diversions as cannot be taken in the name of the Lord Jesus."

Answer 2. When any of our members engage in dancing, card playing, or horse racing, or attend upon theatres, circuses, dances, or horse races, or join social clubs which furnish intoxicating liquors for the members, the pastor shall give private reproof to the offender. If there be any acknowledgment of the fault, and promise of amendment, the person may be borne with, otherwise the preacher must take with him two or three faithful friends, who shall labor to bring the offender to proper repentance; but if he will not hear them, and there be no sign of amendment, the offender must be dealt with as in case of immorality.

7. To give the town of Fredericksburg to the Virginia Conference, and thus straighten the boundaries of this Conference.

8. To make such changes in the Discipline as are indicated in the accompanying paper—i. e., all of it except the portions stricken out.

WM. E. EDWARDS, Chairman.

ERNEST STEVENS, Secretary Committee.

The paper referred to in paragraph 8 of the above report is as follows:

To the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to be held at Baltimore, Md., on the —— day of May, 1898:

Dear Fathers and Brothers,—The last General Conference of our Church having taken from our Quarterly Conference the right to license local preachers, and having conferred that right upon our District Conference, further legislation, in order to harmonize and make more effective the law upon the subject, is now almost a necessity. We, therefore, respectfully memorialize your honorable body to make

the following alterations, changes, amendments, and additions to our Book of Discipline:

I. That paragraph 82 of section 4, chapter II, and Question 19 of paragraph 87, be amended by striking out the words "local preachers and," occurring in the second line of said paragraph, and in the first line of the questions.

II. That paragraph 83 of same section and chapter, be entirely stricken out.

III. That paragraphs 170 and 171 of section 11, chapter III, and paragraph 289 of section 4, chapter VII, and paragraphs 308, 309, 310, and 311 of section 2, chapter VIII, and paragraph 319 of section 2, chapter IX, and Question 5 of section IV, chapter VII, be amended by striking out the words "Quarterly Conference" wherever they occur in said paragraph and question, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "District Conference."

IV. That paragraph 75 of section 3, chapter II, be amended by adding to said paragraph, immediately after the last word of same, the following: "It shall also take cognizance of all local preachers in the district; shall inquire annually into the gifts, labors, and usefulness of each by name, and shall try, suspend, expel, or acquit any and all such preachers against whom charges may be made."

VI. That all of paragraphs 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, and 286 of section 4, chapter VII, be stricken out, and the following substituted in their place:

Question 1. To whom is a local preacher amenable for his conduct?

281. Answer 1. To the District Conference within the bounds of which the offence is committed, which shall have the power to try, and to acquit, suspend or expel him.

Question 2. What shall be done when a local preacher is accused of immorality? 282. Where a local preacher is under report of immorality, or is accused thereof in writing signed by a member of our Church, the Presiding Elder of the District where the offence is committed, shall appoint a committee of three, composed of preachers or laymen, or both, living within the district, to investigate the report, complaint or charges, and to ascertain and report whether a trial be necessary. Said committee shall be presided over by the Presiding Elder appointing the committee in all cases where it is possible for him to do so; and, in his unavoidable absence, by a chairman appointed by him, who shall hear and determine all questions of law that may arise during the investigation. The Presiding Elder shall also appoint a secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep a true and full record of all the proceedings of the committee; but neither the chairman nor the secretary shall be allowed to vote upon the questions coming before the committee. If. after investigation, the committee deem a trial necessary, they shall at once notify the accused, and such notice, without any further notice or proceeding, shall suspend the accused until his case is heard and is finally disposed of. They shall also formulate a bill of charges and specifications against the accused; shall present to him a copy of the same a sufficient length of time before the meeting of the District Conference which is to try him, to enable him to prepare for his trial; and shall appoint some member of the Conference to prosecute the same before the committee of trial hereinafter provided for.

283. After a full investigation of the report, complaint, or charges has been made and a conclusion thereon reached, if the committee of investigation deem a trial necessary, the chairman of the said committee shall, as soon thereafter as practicable, notify all the material witnesses in the case to be and appear before the committee of trial provided for in paragraph 286, to give their testimony. If such witnesses cannot be induced to attend the trial, then, in that case, the Presiding

Elder who appointed the committee of investigation, or his successor in office, shall appoint some discreet and impartial member of his district to take the testimony of such witness. The person so appointed, as soon as practicable after he has received notice of his appointment, shall give reasonable notice to all the parties in the action, if they can be found, of the time and place of such examinations; and shall allow them the privilege of cross-examination if they are present and desire it. If the parties, after reasonable inquiry, cannot be found, then the examination shall be proceeded with, just as though the parties had received due and legal notice of the same. The testimony so taken, shall be delivered to the chairman of the investigating committee, and shall be laid before the committee of trial as evidence in the case. When the investigation is finally completed and all the evidence of such witnesses taken, all the records in the case, including the charges, evidence, and findings of the committee, signed by the chairman and secretary, shall be transmitted to the District Conference having jurisdiction of the case, for trial and final determination. If the committee of investigation report a trial necessary, the President of the Conference shall at once appoint a committee of trial as provided for in paragraph 286, and the accused shall then and there be put upon his trial. If the committee of investigation report a trial unnecessary, and the Conference differ in judgment from the committee, a second committee shall be appointed to inquire into the facts, and their report shall be final.

284. When the accusation is preferred during a session of the District Conference, it shall first be referred for investigation to a committee of three members of the Conference whether or not they deem a trial necessary. If the Conference differ in judgment from the committee, a second committee shall be appointed to inquire into the facts, and their report shall be final.

285. The committee of investigation reporting a case for trial, shall formulate a bill of charges and specifications, and shall appoint some member of the Conference to prosecute the case.

286. Every case to be tried shall be referred to a committee of not less than nine nor more than thirteen, to be appointed by the President of the Conference; which said committee, in the presence of the President and Secretary of the Conference, or in the presence of a chairman and secretary appointed by the President of the Conference, shall have full power to try the case, and their decision shall be final, save as to the right of appeal. The chairman of the committee shall hear and determine all questions of law arising during the progress of the trial, and the secretary shall keep a full record of all the proceedings; but neither shall be allowed to vote upon any question coming before the committee; provided, that the accused shall be allowed the right of peremptory challenge of five in a committee of thirteen, and three in a committee of nine, besides the right of unlimited challenge for cause. The chairman of the committee shall determine the validity of all challenges for cause, and shall have the power to fill all vacancies occurring on the committee from any cause. At the conclusion of the case, the committee shall make a written report to the Conference, and shall deliver to the Secretary of the Conference the whole record of the case, with the decision rendered. If the accused is found guilty, the President of the Conference trying the case, shall cause a true and correct copy of the decision of the committee, signed by the President and Secretary, to be at once transmitted to the President of the District Conference where the accused holds his membership; and this last-named President shall, at the next meeting of his District Conference, cause the same to be read before the Conference and recorded on the Journal of the Conference.

TRAVELING PREACHERS.

We further ask that the following changes be made in the law governing traveling preachers:

I. That paragraph 264 of section 2, chapter VII, be amended by inserting in said paragraph, immediately after the word Conference, in the first line thereof, the words "within the bounds of which the offence is committed."

II. That Question 2, of same section and chapter, be amended by adding to the said question, immediately after the last word of the same, the following: "Or when complaint is made that he has violated paragraph 120 of section 4, chapter III."

III. That the said paragraph be further amended by striking out the words "of which he is a member," beginning on the fifth line of said paragraph, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "having jurisdiction of the offence."

IV. That paragraphs 266 and 269, of the same section and chapter, be amended by striking out the words "of which he is a member," and inserting in lieu thereof

the words "having jurisdiction of his case."

V. That paragraph 273, of same section and chapter, be amended by adding to said paragraph, immediately after the last word in same, the following: "If the accused is found guilty, the President of the Conference trying the case shall cause a true and correct copy of the decision of the Committee, signed by the President and Secretary, to be transmitted to the President of the Annual Conference, of which the accused is a member, and this last named President shall, at the next session of said Conference, cause the same to be read before the Conference, and recorded upon the Conference Journal."

PROBATIONERS.

We further ask that the following change be made in the law governing probationers:

I. That paragraph 280, of section 3, chapter VII, be amended by striking out the words "Quarterly Conference," occurring on the second line of said paragraph, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "District Conference."

EXHORTERS AND MEMBERS.

We further ask that the following changes be made in the law governing exhorters and members:

I. That Question 1, of section 5, chapter VII, be stricken out and the following substituted in its place:

"Question 1. What shall be done when an exhorter or member of the Church is accused of immorality?"

II. That paragraph 291, of section 5, chapter VII, be entirely stricken out and the following substituted in its place:

"291. Answer 1. When an exhorter or member of the Church is under report of immorality, or accused thereof in writing signed by a member of our Church, the preacher, within the bounds of whose charge the offence has been committed, shall appoint a committee of three discreet members of the Church, who shall investigate the report, complaint or charges. If, upon investigation, they deem a trial necessary, they shall formulate a bill of charges and specifications, and shall appoint some member of the Church to prosecute the case."

III. That paragraph 292, of same section and chapter, be amended by striking

out the words "to which the accused belongs," on the fifth line of said paragraph, and inserting in the place thereof "where the offence was committed."

That said paragraph be further amended by adding immediately after the last word of said paragraph the following: "He shall also notify the preacher in charge of the work where the accused holds his membership of such decision; and the preacher in charge of said work shall, at the next Church Conference, of which the accused is a member, publicly announce such decision, and cause it to be recorded upon the Church Conference Journal."

A. COKE SMITH, J. C. REED.

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The communication from the Publishing House, at Nashville, through Messrs. Barbee & Smith, agents, and endorsed by the Book Committee, comes to us freighted with the pleasant assurance of the safe prosperity of the concern—the total business being \$326,528.26, a gain to the assets this year of \$41,030.53 making a capital of \$710,449.86. This showing is gratifying, because in one year the house has cleared 6 per cent. on the entire capital; and in the past decade it has had the capital doubled. This progress has been made, although the nation has had a series of years of great financial stringency, which have tried the solvency of its business institutions. The indications are that our Publishing House has entered on a new era of prosperity, and commends itself to our continued patronage, thereby securing increased dividends to the Superannuated Fund of the Church.

It is a matter of regret that the *Epworth Era*, a paper published at Nashville for our young people, does not measure up to what we need for them, and its subscription list has been reduced.

Your committee think this paper should be so improved by enlargement and beauty of illustration in its general make-up, as to commend it to our young people and command the patronage of the Church, or be discontinued. If the former is done, we believe it will be a great success. The Sunday-school literature of the Church, which has greatly improved in the past decade, deserves our commendation, and the management should have the approval of the Church for the manifest effort to bring it up to a higher standard.

The Sunday-School Visitor deserves special mention. The matter it contains is eminently suited to the needs of our Sunday-school children, and the illustrations are rich and beautiful. It ought to have 100,000 subscribers, instead of 50,000.

Your committee re-affirm the following:

Resolved, That we esteem the Christian Advocate, issued by the Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., and so ably edited by Dr. E. E. Hoss, and his assistant editor, Dr. J. W. Boswell, as a paper of superior excellence; and, as the general organ of Southern Methodism, we heartily commend it to all our people.

Resolved, That the Review, published by our Church, and edited by Rev. J. J. Tigert, D. D., is worthy of the increased patronage of our people and the full endorsation of this Conference. Its articles are strong, able, and scholarly, and the periodical meets a pressing need of the Church.

Resolved, That we cordially recommend the publications of the house at Nashville. More especially do we recommend this year The Circuit of the Globe, by Bishop C. B. Galloway; Eminent Methodists, by Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald; Southern Writers, by Dr. W. M. Baskervil; and Young People's Hymnal—the last of which is eminently adapted for Sunday-school use and the social meetings of the Church. All of which may be had from Dr. A. G. Brown, our Colportage Agent at Ashland, Va.

We congratulate the Conference on the continued improvement of its venerable organ, the *Richmond Christian Advocate*. The department of local Church items from the several districts, and the columns of secular news, are worthy of special mention. The first page—filled with gems of thought, clear, strong, terse—has the spirit of the Christ in it, and does credit to the head and heart of the editor. We are happy to announce to the Virginia Conference that it is the purpose of Dr. Lafferty to make the *Advocate* a great illustrated weekly, and he has formed for this end a joint stock company, which at once strikes us as a best business feature, and will enable him to give the Church a superior paper.

The Conference edition is a striking example of this kind of work. It has very beautifully executed pictures of Bishop Fitzgerald and a number of the young men of the Conference. We bid him God-speed in this departure, while we express the hope that he may double his subscription list.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. Dr. J. J. Lafferty editor-in-chief, and also H. M. Hope, assistant editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate.

A beautiful specimen of an illustrated paper, replete with information and accurate Conference proceedings, is found in the *Daily Methodist*, published by E. G. Moseley and edited by H. M. Hope; and we heartily commend the enterprise that gives this elegant paper to the Conference occasion.

C. R. JAMES, Secretary. GEORGE H. RAY, Chairman.

EPWORTH LEAGUES.

It gives us no little pleasure to report an increase in number of Leagues during the past year. We have now 176 Leagues, with 9,322 members in the Conference—an increase of sixty-four Leagues and 2,340 members over last year. Not only is this true, but the organization has become more effective. There is a more intelligent conception of the League idea, and the enthusiasm of the movement is being better directed. The Epworth League now commands the cordial confidence of our preachers, young and old; it is no longer on trial, but is an assured success. We furthermore believe that it can be operated with great advantage in any part of our Conference. We would urge, therefore, as in our last annual report, upon our pastors and people the thoughtful, diligent, patient organization of Leagues in all our Churches, believing that while it may be more easily done in one Church than in another, according to varying conditions, it is practicable in every one.

We call special attention to the Literary Department, both because it has been worked with less success than the other two, and because it is greatly needed in our Church. We suggest to our Leagues the use of our reading course, and for conducting it, a plan already in successful operation among some of our Leagues, and very similar to that pursued by the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle.

We concur in the recommendation of your Committee on Publishing Interests regarding the $Epworth\ Era$. One of the greatest needs of the work at this time is a live, wide-awake, judicious paper. If we had such, it would not only prove a most powerful factor in the development of the work, but would receive what, at present, the Era has not, the cordial support and patronage of our young people.

The Epworth League District Conference has been tried in a number of instances, and been found a very valuable school of League methods. We would, therefore, urge the presiding elders and pastors to co-operate with the officers of the State Conference in holding these meetings in the districts whenever at all practicable;

and if a separate conference cannot be held, to devote one entire service, at least in the District Conference, to this important cause.

We have heard of the progress of the Korean Mission in charge of Rev. C. F. Reid and Rev. C. T. Collyer. It promises to be one of the most successful missions our Church has yet undertaken. Brother Collyer goes out as the special representative of Virginia Leaguers. And while we think it for the best interests of the League and the cause of missions to turn over to the General Missionary Board the responsibility of his support, we would, nevertheless, urge our young people to have him constantly in their hearts and prayers, especially advising that they observe, in all their local societies, what is known as "Collyer Day," the programme for which will be prepared and forwarded by the State Council.

The Junior League.—For its organization, everything can be said that is said for the Senior League. It is being tried in many places, and the workers tell us there is no work of the Church more fascinating or more productive of rich and abiding fruit. Let our Churches give prompt and diligent attention to the Junior League.

We recommend the appointment by this Conference of a Committee on Epworth Leagues, constituted in the same way, and sustaining the same relation to the Conference as the other standing committees.

Respectfullly submitted,

E. H. RAWLINGS, G. H. RAY, W. B. BEAUCHAMP, G. H. McFADEN, E. G. MOSELEY.

BIBLE CAUSE.

We deem it unnecessary and useless to enter into any general discussion of the value of God's Word or of the paramount necessity for its general distribution. We call attention to the following facts:

1. The American Bible Society is the most powerful agency on this continent for the general distribution of the Word of God. Not only is this the case, but in foreign fields, especially in those occupied by the missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, our only source of supply is from the grants of the great Bible Societies, especially the American Bible Society, which donates freely to our missionaries abundant supplies of Bibles and Testaments, even allowing them to retain all money received from the sale of said Bibles and Testaments to be used in their general work.

2. The Bible Society of Virginia is an auxiliary of the American Bible Society. It is recognized by Conference and annually indorsed by us.

3. Despite these facts, over 100 charges of this Conference raised in 1896 less than \$1.25 each for the Bible Society, and of these 89 raised nothing at all, so that 130 charges raised an aggregate of only about \$50 for this great cause. Upon what plea this neglect can be excused we do not venture to guess; but it would seem that the pastors of these charges value very inadequately the great and generous work of the Bible Society. We offer the following:

Resolved, That we re-assert and emphasize our adherence to and our love for the invaluable work of the Bible Society of Virginia and of the American Bible Society.

2. That we deem it the duty of every pastor in this Conference to present this

cause to every congregation under his care, and to explain to his people the need of liberal donations.

3. That collections be taken early in the year, and the money forwarded at once to Rev. W. S. Campbell, agent, Richmond, Va.

Respectfully,

W. W. ROYALL. W. E. JUDKINS. RICHARD IRBY.

TEMPERANCE.

The Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows:

The subject upon which this committee was appointed continues to command much of public attention. It presents itself to every active Christian as something upon which an opinion must be formed and a line of action adopted. It is also true that the religious sentiment of the country makes temperance and prohibition very nearly identical in meaning. The vicious character of all commerce in a beverage that can be regarded as evil and only evil, is now acknowledged by all ecclesiastic organizations. With equal unanimity, religious gatherings have declared the renting of property for saloon or bar-room purposes to be a moral wrong. It follows as a sequence that the vote of a citizen which imposes upon a community the license system (when the election is simply license or no license), must be classed, as to morality, with the vender and the renter. If the traffic cannot be carried on without sin, no vote can be given for it without disobedience to the law of the Gospel.

Hence your committee, reiterating the former deliverances of this body, would offer for adoption the following resolutions:

- 1. Resolved, That we urge upon our charges a faithful enforcement of discipline as to the chapter on temperance.
- 2. Resolved, That we recommend, as far as practicable, the use of unfermented wine at the sacrament.
- 3. Resolved, That we request the appointment of two delegates to the American Anti-Saloon League to meet in Columbus, Ohio, in January.

Your committee have considered the paper (coming from the W. C. T. U. of Virginia) which was referred to us, and offer the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That we deplore the evils of intemperance, and that we see in those evils a great hindrance to the coming of the Lord's Kingdom in human hearts for which the Church labors and prays. We realize that the early education of the young as to the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics is a powerful preventive against intemperance, and we rejoice that laws have been enacted requiring this study in the public schools of all the States but four (Arkansas, Georgia, Utah, and Virginia), and in all the territories, in the national military and naval schools, and in all Indian and colored schools under Federal control, embracing fully sixteen million children of school age.

We recommend that our Church be requested to lend all possible aid toward securing the passage of a like law by the Virginia Legislature during its present session.

J. L. SPENCER, Chairman.

CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

Danville, Va., November 17, 1897.

The committee appointed at the Conference in Lynchburg, Va., November, 1896, to consider our Plan of Conference Entertainment, beg leave to submit their report.

We recommend that all previous action of Conference on this subject be repealed, and that the Conference adopt, in lieu thereof, the following *Plan for Conference Entertainment*, to-wit:

I. The Conference shall appoint, quadrennially, beginning November, 1897, a committee of five members—three clerical and two lay—to be known as the Committee of Entertainment. The method of appointment shall be as follows: The President of the Conference shall appoint a Committee of Nomination of three members, whose report shall be subject to amendment or recommitment; but when approved by the Conference shall be final.

The Committee of Entertainment shall elect their own Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, and shall hold office for four years, or until their successors have been appointed.

They shall submit to the Conference annually a full report of their proceedings, and vacancies occurring from time to time shall be filled by the Conference on nomination of the Committee.

II. The duties of the Committee shall be-

1st. To select, in advance of the meeting of Conference, the place for its session next following, and report the same, which shall be deemed the answer to Minute Question No. 40, and shall be so entered on the Journal of the Conference.

For this purpose, they shall put themselves in correspondence with the authorities of our churches at places which may be under discussion for selection as the seat of Conference; and shall use all possible diligence and forecast to secure the holding of the session from year to year at those places in our territory at which the greatest benefits, in all respects, may be secured to the local churches without unnecessary expense or inconvenience to the Conference.

2d. It being the design of this Plan to lessen the expense of entertaining the Conference, to encourage and develop hospitality, and to secure the holding of the sessions of Conference in the smaller towns, as well as in the larger cities, it shall be the duty of the Committee, and especially of the Chairman thereof, to co-operate with the local committee, hereinafter provided for, in their efforts to obtain the most favorable rates of railroad fares, and such like expenses; and, as far as possible, to promote the comfort and lessen the cost of entertainment, by the securement of all private hospitality that may be available in the churches and communities where the Conference may, from time to time, be held.

3rd. They shall report to the Joint Board of Finance, annually, the sum deemed necessary to defray the expenses of Conference entertainment; which shall then be apportioned, by said Board, to the several Presiding Elders' Districts, and reapportioned, by the District Stewards, to the several charges; and they shall receive, from the Treasurer of the said Board of Finance, the money collected, from year to year, for the purpose above named, and shall disburse the same as hereinafter provided.

III. The preachers in charge in the places where the session of the Conference may be held, from time to time, with such laymen as they may elect, shall consti-

tute the Local Committee of Entertainment This Committee shall elect their own Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, and appoint such sub-committees as may be necessary to facilitate their labors and execute their plans.

It shall be the duty of the Committee to select the house where the sessions shall be held, to provide rooms for the meetings of Conference Boards and Committees, and to give notice of the same through the "Advocate" before Conference meets; to solicit from all the members and friends of our Church in their community such private hospitality as they may be able to afford, and to encourage, by precept and example, the cultivation of the grace of Christian hospitality, which is highly commended by St. Paul, in the Holy Scriptures, as the duty and privilege of all Christians.

They shall also secure entertainment at hotels and boarding-houses, so far as the same may become necessary to supplement private hospitality, and they shall secure the best possible terms for round-trip tickets on railroads, and public conveyances, for members of Conference and for visiting brethren.

They shall assign all the members of the Conference, and others having claims to Conference entertainment, to their homes, and give notice of the same, as far as

practicable, by post or otherwise.

They shall receive from the Conference Committee the funds necessary to pay promptly all their bills, and shall deliver to the Chairman thereof a carefully itemized statement of receipts and disbursements, with vouchers, which statement he shall publish in the Conference Annual, showing the balance, if any, to the credit of the *Entertainment Fund*.

ALEX. G. BROWN, Chairman.

GEO. L. NEVILLE, Secretary.

N. B.—1st. This Plan removes the selection of the place from the open Conference to the Committee, clothed with Conference authority to act in the premises. 2nd. It seeks to lessen cost, promote comfort, and increase the good influences of the Conference session, by the securement of a larger Christian hospitality. 3rd. It provides against possible difficulties, by continuing the collection for self-support, so far as it may become necessary. 4th. It commits this important matter to two committees—one of the Conference, the other of the locality where Conference meets, and provides that they shall work together as indicated therein. 5th. It deals with the financial question in a way to prevent mistakes and correct errors should they occur.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1898.

ASHLAND, VA., October 15, 1897.

To the Bishop and Members of the Virginia Annual Conference M. E. Church, South:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—The Committee of Arrangements for the General Conference, to be held in the city of Baltimore, Md., May, 1898, beg your attention to a subject of vital importance to Southern Methodism.

The sum of \$29,784 was assessed on the church, May, 1895, for the General Conference Expense Fund; and the apportionments to the Annual Conferences were made as required by the General Conference plan, on the basis of the assessments for Foreign Missions. The Joint Boards of Finance were duly notified of the amounts the Annual Conferences were expected severally to raise, and they were requested to re-apportion the same to the Presiding Elders' Districts for collection.

The progress of this work, thus early begun in the quadrennium, we regret to say, has been quite disappointing. The collections to date appear to have realized only about one-third of the amount assessed.

Allow us, dear brethren, to remind you of an important provision of the plan, viz.: "That if there be any deficiency in the amounts raised and transmitted by any Annual Conference, the amount of such deficiency shall be deducted from the sum estimated for the delegates from said Conference." (See General Conference Journal, 1890.)

If the assessment on your Conference (\$2,248.20) has not been raised in full, we would solicit immediate attention to the matter, and respectfully suggest the reference of this important subject to your Joint Board of Finance, and request the Conference to take such action in the premises as may be deemed wise and necessary.

B. M. BURGHER,

Secretary.

ALEX. G. BROWN,

Chairman.

PRISON REFORM.

DANVILLE, VA., November 22, 1897.

To the Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South:

Brethren,—The special committee appointed by your order on Prison Reform would most respectfully represent that the facts are made known to us through official reports and through other means that our Virginia Penitentiary is most fearfully overcrowded; that this condition of affairs has continued through many years, and that the want of a proper provision there for decency and for preventing, on the part of the prison authorities, the further degradation of these unfortunate creatures, is a disgrace to our humanity and our Christianity. The young in crime are crowded in with the old hardened sinners, and no work for the proper reformation of these criminals can be efficiently done. Again, such is the condition of the prison, through overcrowding, through want of ventilation, and through want of proper sanitary conditions, that consumption and other diseases are fearfully propagated, and that the death-rate is far beyond what it should be.

We do not presume to reflect upon the officials of our penitentiary, for they have pleaded and most earnestly urged that better provision be made, and so far as we know, they have used every effort possible to relieve this fearful state of affairs. But facts confront us, and as a Christian people we cannot pass by on the other side. "I was in prison, and you came unto me." (Matthew 25: 36.) "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." (Matthew 25: 40.) "Let the sighing of the prisoner come before Thee." (Psalms 79: 11.) "From Heaven did the Lord behold the earth: to hear the groaning of the prisoner." (Psalms 102: 19-20.) If the sighing and the groaning of the prisoner can come before the great Head of the Church, may not we, a part of his militant host here on earth, stop to bring human sympathy and Christian love to bear upon the unfortunate condition of these poor creatures?

Therefore, we recommend that the following resolutions be adopted by the Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South:

Resolved 1st, That we most respectfully and earnestly urge upon the proper authorities that separate cells (as far as possible) be provided for each convict in our penitentiary, and that the sanitary arrangement of the prison be improved.

Resolved 2d, That such laws be enacted and enforced as will operate to the classification of the prisoners so as to produce the best moral results, and as will

look especially to the keeping of the young in crime from associating with the more hardened and vicious, and will aim to bring to bear the whole possible reformatory forces to reclaim and restore the criminal to trustworthy citizenship.

Resolved 3d, That such a system of inspection be formulated and set into operation as will bring the best help of our manhood up to the help of our prison officials in their great effort to stem and correct the rising tide of crime that threatens our homes, our honor, our lives, and our civilization.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. VAWTER, R. T. WILSON, JOS. H. AMISS.

CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

The Committee on Conference Entertainment beg leave to report that, after considering invitations from Petersburg, Richmond and Portsmouth, they have selected Portsmouth as the seat of the session of November, 1898; and they have named the sum of \$1,500 as the amount to be assessed by the Joint Board of Finance for our entertainment fund. The committee request that you will order the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance to turn over any surplus now in his hands on account of Conference Entertainment to the Treasurer of this Committee, W. W. Vicar, of Norfolk, Va.

W. W. VICAR,

Secretary.

ALEX. G. BROWN,

Chairman.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your committee to examine District Conference Records beg leave to report as follows:

All the records were before us. The records of Richmond, West Richmond, Rappahannock, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Portsmouth, Farmville, Norfolk, and Petersburg were neatly and correctly kept. That of the Eastern Shore failed to state whether a secretary was elected or not, and is incorrectly kept.

We specially call attention to the Danville District Conference Record, in which the Secretary, instead of recording the proceedings of the Conference in writing, pasted reports of the proceedings of the Conference, clipped from the newspapers, and we think it is not correctly kept, and violates the law of neatness.

W. A. S. CONRAD,

Secretary.

C. E. HOBDAY,

Chairman.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your Board of Church Extension had at its disposal \$1,861.83, being 50 per cent. of \$3,706.09, and \$8.79 brought over from last year. After carefully considering all the applications, the following appropriations have been made:

Mt. Zion, Henry Circuit, Danville District	\$ 100	00
Olive Branch, South Brunswick Circuit, Petersburg District	50	00
Micah, Charles City Circuit, Richmond District	75	00
Moorings, Surry Circuit, Petersburg District	50	00
Boons, Franklin Circuit, Danville District	28	78
St. Johns, Amelia Circuit, Farmville District	100	00
Centenary, Cape Charles City Circuit, Eastern Shore District	100	00

Wesley Chapel, Windsor Circuit, Portsmouth District	75	00
Ridgeway, Cascade Circuit, Danville District	75	00
Providence, Culpeper Circuit, Charlottesville District	75	00
Olivet, Spotsylvania Circuit, Rappahannock District	50	00
Highland, West Franklin Circuit, Danville District	100	00
Owens' Memorial, Portsmouth District	100	00
Blexom, Guilford Circuit, Eastern Shore District	100	00
Washington Street, Danville District	75	00
St. Paul's, Middle Franklin Circuit, Danville District	150	00
Cedar Grove, South of Dan Circuit, Farmville District	100	00
Republican Grove, Halifax Circuit, Danville District	100	00
Trinity, Orange Circuit, Charlottesville District	100	00
Port Royal, King George Circuit, Rappahannock District	100	00
St. Andrews, East King and Queen Circuit, Richmond District	50	00
Sardis, Amherst Circuit, Charlottesville District	50	00
Clover, East Halifax Circuit. Danville District	50	00
J. W. Fergusson & Son, for printing	2	55
W. G. Bates, Secretary, for postage, &c		50
Balance in hands of Treasurer	5	00
Total	\$1,861	83

We have had before us the reports from the General and Conference Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Societies, and take pleasure in calling attention to the very commendable work these societies are doing

There are eighteen auxiliary societies with 500 members, a small gain in membership during the year. These have raised the past year \$1,443.95, and have aided one parsonage by a donation of \$135.

The following are the officers of the Conference Society for the ensuing year:

President-Mrs. W. J. Young, Norfolk, Va.

First Vice President-Mrs. A. E. Wait, Richmond, Va.

Second Vice-President-Mrs. T. McN. Simpson, Farmville, Va.

Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. M. N. Moorman, Lynchburg, Va.

Treasurer-Mrs. C. V. Winfree, Lynchburg, Va.

Recording Secretary-Mrs. H. E. Wall, Farmville, Va.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Richmond District-Miss Rebecca Hardwicke.

West Richmond District-Mrs. R. E. Michaels.

Rappahannock District—(To be supplied).

Charlottesville District—(To be supplied).

Lynchburg District-Mrs E. S. Moorman.

Danville District—(To be supplied).

Farmville District-Mrs. J. R. Martin.

Petersburg District-Mrs. J. D. Lumsden.

Portsmouth District—Mrs. C. C. Wertenbaker.

Norfolk District-Mrs. J. C. Norsworthy.

Eastern Shore District - Mrs R. H. Potts.

The amount assessed by the parent Board on this Conference for the next year for church extension—\$6,800.

W. G. BATES, Secretary.

J. WILEY BLEDSOE, Chairman.

PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY.

Norfolk, Va., November 12, 1897.

To the President and Directors of the Society for the Relief of the Preachers of the Virginia Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and their Families, their Widows and Orphans:

Brethren,—I present herewith a statement of my receipts and disbursements for your society for the fiscal year November 7, 1896—November 12, 1897.

RECEIPTS.				
1896.	* 0 100	00		
Nov. 7—Balance on hand	\$3,402	89		
Mar. 19-J. D. Lumsden's bequest-annuity fund	156	36		
Apr. 22—On account of M. A. Maynard loan	800	00		
June 24—Donation from a friend	990	25		
Aug. 2-M. P. and F. R. Henry, loan paid off	3,000	00		
Nov. 12—Subscriptions to date	253	50		
Nov. 12—Interest on loans	1,815	83		
			\$10,418	83
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Nov. 16-Loan to M. P. & F. R. Henry	\$3,000	00		
Nov. 18—Appropriations				
Dec. 24—Safe deposit box rent		00		
Jan. 30—Interest on Lumsden fund to January 1. 1897	46	40		
Sept. 2—Interest on Lumsden fund to July 1, 1897	49			
Sept. 27—Loan to T. S. Southgate	3,500			
Nov. 2—Secretary and Treasurer	150			
Nov. 12—Postage stamps and printing				
			\$7,660	51
Balance on hand			\$2,758	32
The assets of the Society are as follows:				
Cash on hand.			\$2,758	32
NOTES AND BONDS.				
L. Clay Kilby, Treasurer	\$1,000	00		
Julian Russell	3,000	00		
· M. Glennan	3,000	00		
S. Marx	3,500	00		
James E. Martin	1,200	00		
S. & W. B. Meredith	,	00		
T. H. & E. J. Frost	1,500	00		
Margaret A. Maynard		00		
W. W. Wilson		00		
W. C. Cobb and Aaron Milhado	,	00		
Kate L. Crockett.	1,500	00		

B. A. Tyree	000	00		
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W. B. Browne and others	000 (00		
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		_	29,200	00
Total			\$31,958	32
J. D. Lumsden annuity fund \$1,	702	89		
Other assets				
Total		_	\$ 31,958	32
Assets, 1897\$31,	,958	32		
Assets, 1896				
Increase		_	\$2,055	43
Respectfully submitted,				

Examined and found correct Nov. 12, 1897: W. W. VICAR,

E. V. WHITE, WILBUR J. KILBY, Auditing Committee.

Sec'y and Treas.

APPROPRIATIONS NOVEMBER, 1897.

Rev. B. F. Smith	\$25	Mrs. Jno. Bayley	\$25
Rev. R. N. Crooks	25	Rev. C. E. Blankinship	25
Miss Mollie Scott	25	Rev. W. T. A. Haynes	25
Mrs. T. M. Beckham	25	Rev. Alex. M. Hall	20
Rev. D. M. Wallace	25	Rev. W. R. Smithey	25
Mrs. Geo. M. Wright	50	Mrs. Jos. Lear	35
Rev. C. S. Wamsley	25	Rev. J. W. Heckman	25
Miss Mary Rosser	40	Mrs. E. P. Wilson	25
Rev. W. A. Tompkins	25	Rev. E. P. Parham	25
Rev. R. H. Mullen	40	Mrs. J. H. Patteson	50
Rev. H. T. Bacon	60	Rev. J. W. Crider	35
Miss Ella A. Gibson	25	Rev. J. F. Brannin	25
Mrs. J. A. Duncan	50	Rev. T. J. Bayton	25
Rev. Jacob Manning	25	Mrs. J. H. Proctor	35
Mrs. J. W. Tucker	25	Rev. N. J. Pruden	25
Mrs. J. W. Blincoe	40	Rev. C. H. Green	20
Mrs. T. P. Wise	25	-	
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VII.

THE CONFERENCE MISSION BOARD.

The Captain of our Salvation, as he ascended on high, left ringing in the ears of his disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." They were to wait for the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and then begin their work.

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, and in Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." In this command we have both Foreign and Domestic Missions set forth. This command has never been revoked, and is still in full force.

To be Christ's, we must have the mind of Christ. Not to believe in missionary work, both Foreign and Domestic, is to disbelieve Christ. To be opposed to missions, is to be opposed to Christ.

The hand of God is clearly seen in all our missionary work. As the church has endeavored to carry out the command of her Lord, the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night has gone before, directing and cheering. As at the command, "Give ye them to eat," the church has brought her 'five loaves and two fishes' and placed them in the hands of her Lord, he has blessed and distributed until thousands of hungry souls, both at home and in heathen lands, have been fed with the Bread of Life and filled with the joy of salvation.

In the providence of God every barrier has been broken down and every hindrance removed. The 'great door and effectual' swings wide open and invites the Church to the conquest of the world for Christ. Faith in our Lord and faith in ourselves as his co-workers will give us the victory.

The payment of the debt of \$145,000, resting upon our General Board, is cause for grateful thanksgiving to God. To our missionary secretaries we would say, "Well done." The payment of this debt shows how near the missionary cause is to the heart of the Church, and gives encouragement for the future development of work in foreign lands.

The Board has carefully inspected the Domestic Mission work of this Conference, and is glad to report that gratifying progress has been made in many of these charges. The Board has under its care sixty-four charges.

The Rosebud Missionary Society, among our young people and children, has been diligently at work; \$3,808.38 has been collected as the result of their labors.

The total amount raised for Foreign Missions this year is \$17,120.63, an increase over last year of \$1,307.38. For Domestic Missions, \$9,598.47, an increase over last year of \$135.69. The Board will pay in full all of its appropriations for the year just closed.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has raised during the year \$7.224.94, an increase of one thousand dollars over last year.

It is to be regretted that the amount raised by the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society could not be obtained.

Total amount raised, \$37,752.42.

The following assessments have been made for the ensuing year:

Foreign Missions, \$22,800.00.

Domestic Missions, \$13,500.00.

J. C. REED, Secretary pro tem.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

I. FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

RECEIPTS.

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From pastoral charges\$1	7,127 93		
" one-half of collection at missionary anniversary	11 31		
" a preacher	10 00		
		\$17,149 24	
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Remittances to T. B. Holt, Treasurer, as follows:			
1897.	\$ 80 00		
Mar. 10—Rev. W. W. Royall, Chase City	200 00		
April 3—Rev. T. McN. Simpson, Farmville	200 00		
8—Rev. J. E. R. Riddick, Sussex	25 00		
21—Rev. B, S. Herrink, Mecklenburg	25 00		
22—Rev. G. H. Lambeth, Hampton	65 83		
May 12—Rev. N. H. Robertson, Franktown	78 58		
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21—Rev. R. B. Scott, Chesterfield	37 70		
21—Rev. R. B. Scott, Ollesterheid	25 00		
June 21—Rev. N. H. Robertson, Franktown	32 42		
25—Rev. John O. Moss, Hollydale	20 20		
July 3—Rev. John O. Moss, Lunenburg	15 35		
24—Rev. G. H. Spooner, Princess Anne	100 00		
28—Rev. John O. Moss, Hollydale	18 00		
29—Rev. J. M. Burton, Bethany	130 00		
Aug. 7—Rev. John O. Moss, Lunenburg	26 50		
9—Rev. C. C. Wertenbaker, Southampton	40 00		
Sept. 13—John Victor, Treasurer Memorial, Lynchburg	500 00		
16—Rev. John O. Moss, Lunenburg	11 05		
		\$1,677 7	4
Nov. 30—Remitted Rev. Walter R. Lambuth, D. D., Secre-			
tary of Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn.,			
N. Y. Exchange, by W. W. Vicar, Treasurer,		15,471 5	0
		\$17,149 2	4
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Nov. 30—Remitted Rev. W. R. Lambuth, Secretary, check for the Church of the Epiphany, Rev. Mr. Ha on the occasion of Rev. Mr. Bruce's address in the	II, Rector at church	,	00
November 22, 1897, "For Brazilian Missions"			JU
W. W	. VICAR	, Treasurer.	

II. DOMESTIC MISSION FUND.

RECEIPTS.

RECEIPIS.			
Balance from last Conference	\$4.261	43	
From pastoral charges	9.588	07	
" one-half collection at missionary anniversary	11		
" collection at Norfolk District Conference	22		
" special collection at Annual Conference	60		
" a preacher		00	
			\$13,948 46
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Paid R. N. Sledd, Chairman, for postage, stationery, &c		00	
" L. B. Betty, Secretary, for postage and envelopes	\$ 7		
Appropriations as follows:		75	
S. C. Hatcher, Denny Street	150	00	
W. B. Beauchamp, St. James			
C. T. Gibbs, Charles City	50		
W. R. Evans, Charles City	50		
A. S. J. Rice, West New Kent	150		
J. T. Mastin, Chickahominy	100		
W. E. Bullard, West Point	100		
J. N. Latham, Williamsburg	150 200		
W. F. Davis, Barton Heights			
C. H. Boggs, Highland Park	150		
J. W. Heckman, Goochland	100		
J. E. McSparran, West Goochland	200		
W. D. Mower, East Louisa	100		
Porter Hardy, King William	125		
T. Burton, Powhatan	150		
C. H. Williams, Spotsylvania	150		
W. F. Hayes, Bowling Green	200		
R. E. Bentley, King and Queen	100		
Paul Bradley, Gordonsville	200		
B. F. Smith, Milton	250		
R. G. James, Woodville	175		
L. C. Shearer, Trinity, Lynchburg	200		
L. J. Phaup, Madison	225		
J. E. Oyler, Staunton River	150		
P. H. Clements, South View	200		
L. P. Bransford, Floyd Street	20	00	
J. Lee Hunter, Floyd Street	215		
E. T. Dadmun, Cabell Street	150		
H. W. Dunkley, Riverside	150		
S. R. Drewry, Pittsylvania	150		
T. P. Duke, North Pittsylvania	100		
C. E. Blankinship, West Franklin	125		
R. C. Garland, Middle Franklin	100		
W. T. A. Haynes, East Halifax	125		
H. F. B. Martin, Patrick	150		
,	100	00	

J. T. Meadows, Meadows of Dan	300 00	
A. L. Franklin, West Lunenburg	150 00	
E. P. Parham, Clarksville	100 00	
A. L. Carson, South of Dan	125 00	
R. H. Mullen, Hyco	125 00	
J. M. Anderson, Blackstone	225 00	
E. V. Carson, Amelia	100 00	
McDaniel Rucker, Ettrick	150 00	
R. E. Barrett, Blandford	200 00	
J. W. Stiff, Wesley	150 00	
J. T. Sewell, West Street	100 00	
D. W. Reed, Matoaca	100 00	
C. W. Cain, Nottoway	200 00	
D. B. Austin, East Suffolk and Magnolia	300 00	
R. T. Waterfield, Owens' Memorial	300 00	
G. F. Green, Ebenezer	100 00	
F. G. Davis, Whaleyville and Somerton	100 00	
H. E. Johnson, Lekies' Memorial	100 00	
R. W. Webb, Huntersville	150 00	
J. G. Lennon, Liberty Street	300 00	
W. G. Boggs, Lambert's Point	100 00	
J. W. Baker, Oaklette and Gilmerton	100 00	
A. A. Jones, Ebenezer and Lynnhaven	150 00	
J. K. Jolliff, Cape Charles	250 00	
G. E. B. Smith, Hog Island	150 00	
J. D. Hosier, Hooper's Island	200 00	
E. L. Peerman, Accomac Courthouse	100 00	
J. R. Sturgis, Guilford	100 00	
W. R. Crowder, Cobb's Island	50 00	
E. F. Garner, Accomac	50 00	
In a contract, accommendation		
	\$9,743 32	
Balance in hands of R. N. Sledd, Chairman	4,205 14	\$12 048 4B
		\$13,948 46

W. W. VICAR, Treasurer.

ROSEBUD MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1896-'97.

RECEIPTS.

RECEIPTS.				
From November 7, 1896, to November 10, 1897, inclusive:				
Dues— Richmond District	¢ 949	70		
West Richmond District Rappahannock District Charlottesville District Lynchburg District Danville District	\$ 342 231 271 134 156 179	62 40 80 37		
Farmville District Petershurg District Portsmouth District Norfolk District Eastern Shore District	166 185 286 195 232	75 59 71 56	\$2,383	10
Monterey Cottage Fund	17	02	1,425	
Total receipts for the year			\$3,808 1,482	
Grand total			\$ 5,291	28
DISBURSEMENTS.				
From November 7, 1896, to November 10, 1897, inclusive:				
INSTITUTO LAURENS-				
Salary Principal and Assistant Salaries teachers School supplies—freight, etc	600	00	80.01 0	00
Comfort Cottage—			\$2,016	39
Plans and specifications Building	\$ 25 2,000		0.005	00
COTTAGE PLAN-			2,025	00
Mite Boxes Peach-Pit Pennies Engravings, printing, postage, etc	1	76		
		20	94	50
Home Office—				
Salary General Secretary and Assistants Stationery, printing, and postage	\$ 300	00 27	393	27
Total disbursements for the year				
Cash in bank and on hand November 10, 1897			\$4,529 762	
Grand total			\$5,291	28
New Societies organized				18

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS 1897-'98.

RICHMOND DISTRICT—		
Denny Street	100 00	
	200 00	
Charles City	100 00	
West New Kent	150 00	
Chickahominy	100 00	
West Point	200 00	
Williamsburg	175 00	
Chestnut Street - Newport News	150 00	
		\$1,175 00
West Richmond District—	100 20	
Barton Heights	100 00	
Highland Park	150 00	
Goochland	100 00	
West Goochland.	200 00	
East Louisa	100 00	
Powhatan.	150 00	
King William	100 00	
West Chesterfield	75 00	075 00
Rappahannock District—		975 00
Spotsylvania	150 00	
Bowling Green	200 00	
King and Queen	100 00	
		450 00
CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT—		
Gordonsville		
Belmont and Rose Hill		
Woodville	175 00	
Milton		
Orange	75 00	900 00
Lynchburg District—		900 00
Trinity	200 00	
Staunton River		
Madison		
Madison	300 00	850 00
DANVILLE DISTRICT—		
Floyd Street	. 200 00	
Cabell Street		
Washington Street		
Pittsylvania)
North Pittsylvania)
West Franklin)
Middle Franklin		
East Halifax		
Patrick		
Meadows of Dan		
		- 1,350 00

FARMVILLE DISTRICT—		
West Lunenburg	150 00	
Clarksville	100 00	
South of Dan	100 00)
Hyco	175 00	
Burkeville	100 00)
Amelia	50 00)
Blackstone	200 00	875 00
Petersburg District—		
Ettrick	125 00)
Blandford	250 00	
Wesley	200 00	
West Street	100 00	
Matoaca	100 00	
Nottoway	175 00	
-:		950 00
Portsmouth District—		
East Suffolk and Magnolia	300 00)
Owens Memorial	300 00)
Ebenezer	100 00)
Whaleyville and Somerton	100 00	
		- 800 00
Norfolk District—		
Lekies Memorial	150 0	0
Huntersville	150 0	0
Liberty Street	350 0	0
Lambert's Point	100 0	0
Oaklette and Gilmerton	125 0	0
Ebenezer and Lynnhaven	150 0	0
		- 1,025 00
EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT—		
Dorchester	75 Ó	0
South Dorchester	100 0	0
Hog Island	100 0	0
Cape Charles City	200 0	0
Berlin	100 0	0
Cambridge Circuit	75 0	_
•		- 650 00
Grand total		\$10,000

L. B. BETTY, Secretary.

VIII.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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I. CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.				
RECEIPTS.				
Balance Reserve Fund of last year From pastoral charges Publishing House, Colvin bequest Publishing House, dividend Trustees of Hall Fund, interest Sale of Conference Annual Advertisements in Conference Annual a preacher Special collection at Conference.	9,780 32 1,100 146 340 60 10	85 90 00 00 80 50	\$19.05Q	20
			\$12,058	28
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Paid J. W. Fergusson & Son for printing Annual	\$ 321	70		
pressage, &c	61	60		
" B. F. Lipscomb and Jas. Cannon, Jr., Secretaries		00		
" A. G. Brown, Chairman, for Conference blanks, &c		65		
" Incidental expenses	5	90.		
	\$499	85		
Appropriations as follows:				
Rev. J. McClelland and wife\$200 00				
" R. N. Crooks and wife 200 00				
" A. M. Hall and wife 300 00				
" J. J. Edwards 75 00				
" Jas. A. Riddick 75 00				
" W. A. Crocker and wife 200 00				·
" Jno. B. Dey 100 00				
" H. T. Bacon and wife 200 00				
" J. R. Waggener 100 00				
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J. E. Gates and	wife		
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_	and wife	300	00
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		200	00
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" Jno. B. Dey	••••••	100	00
" E. P. Wilson	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	100	00
" F. J. Boggs and	child	140	00
" T. P. Wise	***********************	135	00
" J. M. Arnold		100	00
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Mrs. Jno. D. Southall 100 00		
" J. H. Pike and three children 225 00		
" J. W. Hildrup and three children 175 00		
" S. W. Eason and child 125 00		
" J. C. Martin and two children 165 00		
" W. E. Payne and two children 165 00		
" W. F. Robins 100 00		
" J. H. Proctor 100 00		
" E. A. Gibbs 50 00		
" W. H. Christian 100 00		
" A. C. Bledsoe		
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Miss Mary Rosser		
Wichaels		
Ena Gibson		
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Funeral expenses of J. H. Proctor		
	11,355 00	
Balance in hands of Rev. A. G. Brown, Chairman Joint	,	
Board of Finance	203 43	
200-00-01-01-01-01-01-01-01-01-01-01-01-0		\$12,058 28
II. CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.		
Balance from last Conference	\$ 8 79	
From pastoral charges		
" a preacher	5 00	
a preaduct		\$3,714 88
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Paid appropriations as follows:		
Mt. Zion Church, Henry Charge, Danville District	\$ 100 00	
Olive Branch, South Brunswick, Petersburg District	50 00	
Micah, Charles City, Richmond District		
Militari, Oriantes Orty, Intermedia District	75 00	
Moorings, Surry, Petersburg District		
	50 00	
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Andrews, East King and Queen, Richmond District		
rdis, Amherst, Charlottesville District		-
over, East Halifax, Danville District	. 50 00	
	\$1,853 78	
Fergusson & Son for printing		
Bates for postage		
David Morton, D. D., Secretary Church Extension	. 50	
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III. GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENS	E FUND.	
RECEIPTS.		
ce from last Conference	. \$1,003 41	
st on same	. 30 92	
pastoral charges, November, 1897	. 717 47	
a preacher		
		\$1,752 81
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IV. ANNUAL CONFERENCE EXPENSE	FUND.	
RECEIPTS.		
	. \$1,347 45	
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VI. BISHOP'S FUND.

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From pastoral charges	\$2,809	64	
From a preacher		00	
Trout to promotion			\$2,814 64
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Paid Barbee & Smith, Agents of Publishing House			\$2,814 64

W. W. VICAR, Treasurer.

VII. HAYGOOD MEMORIAL HALL (PAINE INSTITUTE).

RECEIPTS.

Collection taken by Bishop Holsey, November 18, 1897:		
Cash	\$ 219 40	
Check, T. M. S	10 60	
Subscriptions, unpaid	274 00	\$504 00
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Remitted Rev. R. J. Bigham, D. D., Secretary:		
Checks	\$230 00	
Subscription list	274 00	\$504 00

W. W. VICAR, Treasurer.

VIII. CHILDREN'S DAY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From pastoral charges		\$1,661	74
DISBURSEMENTS			
Paid D. M. Smith, Freasurer General Conference Sunday- school Board	166 17	\$1,661	74

W. W. VICAR, Treasurer.

IX. BIBLE SOCIETY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From pastoral charges	\$805	71
DISBURSEMENTS.		

Feb.	10—Horntown M. E. Church, South	9	UU	
Mar	10-Broad Street, Richmond	40	50	

Mar. 11—Clarksville	1	62			
17—Clarksville					
19—Epworth, Norfolk					
29—Epworth, Norfolk					
30—Broad Street, Richmond					
31—Broad Street, Richmond					
31—Laurel Street, Richmond					
31-P. F. Scott, Franktown, Va					
Apr. 5—Clay Street, Richmond					
5—Clay Street, Richmond					
5 Broad Street Dishmand	. 1				
5—Broad Street, Richmond	. 01	55			
May 6—Heathsville Circuit					
22—Broad Street, Richmond	. 1	00			
June 26—Mt. Vernon, Danville					
July 20 - Centenary, Norfolk					
Aug. 21—Monumental, Portsmouth					
21—Blackstone					
25-Suffolk					
31—Clarksville					
Sept. 13—North Garden	. 1	62			
28—South Boston	3	25			
29—Providence, Lunenburg Co	. 1	00			
Oct. 13—Washington Street, Petersburg	. 1	00			
14-Clarksville Circuit	. 2				
Nov. 1-Keysville					
5—Chase City Circuit	6	65			
11—Clarksville Circuit	. o	60			
15—Centenary, Richmond					
16—Henrico Circuit	11	00			
To Henrico Officult	. 11	00	\$237	24	
To Lynchburg Auxiliary:			\$201	27	
Oct. 19—Memorial, Lynchburg	\$ 6	00			
Nov. 1—Court Street, Lynchburg	20	00			
15—Court Street, Lynchburg	10	00			
15—Centenary, Lynchburg					
10 Octionally, Dynonburg		00	46	00	
To Maryland Bible Society:			10	00	
Mar. 15—Berlin Circuit			20	00	
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To Bible Society of Virginia:					
Dec. 1—W. W. Vicar, Treasurer, check to Rev. W. S. C	am	pbell)		
Secretary. &c	• • • • •	•••••	502	47	0005
			-		\$805 7

W. W. VICAR, Treasurer.

ASSESSMENTS 1897-'98.

DISTRICTS.	Percentage.	Conference Claimants.	Bishop's Fund.	Educational Fund.	Church Extension.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	General Con. Expenses.*	Annual Con. Expenses.	Totals.
Richmond	11	\$1,540	\$ 407	\$ 469	\$ 748	\$1,485	\$2,508	\$ 68	\$ 165	\$7,390
West Richmond	$9\frac{1}{2}$	1,330	351	405	646	1,283	2,166	43	142	6,366
Rappahannock	6	840	222	256	408	810	1,368	19	90	4,013
Charlottesville	8	1,120	296	341	544	1,080	1,824	75	120	5,400
Lynchburg	9	1,260	333	383	612	1,215	2,052	51	135	6,041
Danville	9	1,260	333	384	612	1,215	2,052	40	135	6,031
Farmville	81/2	1,190	314	362	578	1,148	1,938	47	128	5,705
Petersburg	$9\frac{1}{2}$	1,330	352	405	646	1,282	2,166	74	142	6,397
Portsmouth	$10\frac{1}{2}$	1,470	389	448	714	1,417	2,394	54	158	7,044
Norfolk	11	1,540	407	470	748	1,485	2,508	17	165	7,340
Eastern Shore	8	1,120	296	341	544	1,080	1,824	93	120	5,418
Totals	100	\$14,000	\$3,700	\$4.264	-\$6,800	\$13,500	\$22,800	\$ 581	\$1,500	\$67,145

^{*}The figures in this column represent the balances due upon last year's assessment.

Statistical Tables.



GENERAL FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL EXHIBIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1897.

			st	JPPORT OF T	HE MINISTR	CY.			MISS	SIONARY	COLLE	CTIONS.	
	NAMES OF	ING	PRESIDING EI	DER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PAST	OR.	DOME	STIC.	FOREIGN.			
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's		Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S	Raised by R. B'ds
Richmond District	A. G. Brown, P. E.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Broad Street	Wm. G. Starr		250 00	250 00	2500 00	2500 00		185 00		316 00		225 69	71 50
2 Trinity and	J. T. Mastin		153 00	153 00	1925 00	1925 00		100 00		100 00		66 75	60 93
Chickahominy Miss. 3. Union Station	G. C. Vanderslice		190 00	190 00	1950 00	1950 00		100 00		100 00		120 69	23 41
4. St. James	& F. B. McSparran W. B. Beauchamp,		*42 00	42 00	850 00	850 00		54 00	•••••	92 00		20 36	
5. Denny Street	S. C. Hatcher	4 00	54 00	54 00	750 00	752 60		51 00	•••••	80 00			
6. Fairmont Avenue	R. F. Beadles		70 00	70 00	1000 00	1000 00	*****	37 00		50 00		30 00	15 00
7. Central—Manchester		1	153 00	153 00	1600 00	1600 00	***************************************	80 00		153 33	34 33		14 70
	J. O. Babcock		63 00	63 00	920 00	920 00		32 50		46 25	•••••	25 20	11 49
8. Fifth Street, "	W. T. Williams		91 00	83 78	1200 00	1109 22	98 00	44 00	20 00	68 43	22 00	40 00	
9. West End and Asbury—Manchester.			70 00	65 67	680 00	637 95	46 38	16 11	6 00	36 00	14 00	24 24	14 90
10. Henrico	H. J. Brown	1 00	24 00	13 35	220 00	135 71	94 94	1 50		1 00			2 00
11. Charles City	C. T. Gibbs and W. R. Evans,		49 00	47 12	400 00	384 72	17 16	33 70		60 00			13 00
12. New Kent	L. L. Banks			26 40	350 00	297 56	58 04	16 35	5 00	31 00	5 00		3 46
13. West New Kent	A. S. J. Rice		32 00	28 90	510 00	421 31	95 79	11 51		22 00			
14. West Point	W. E. Bullard		36 00		700 00	617 08	88 72	25 00		45 00			
15. East King & Queen	T. O. Edwards	8 50	49 00	43 20				41 50	*****	100 00		26 00	100 00
16. Gloucester	J. E. Potts and E. J. Potts,	10 00	115 00	115 00	1100 00	1100 00	150 11		7 05	10 00	7 30	20 00	
17. Gloucester Point	Jas. O. Moss	9 00	63 00	48 82	766 00	610 07	170 11	10 00	7 25			*****	16 11
18. Williamsburg	J. N. Latham	5 00	35 00	35 00	400 00	400 00		25 00	***********	43 00	•••••		10 11
19. York	C. E. Hobday		126 00	121 63	850 00	821 27	33 10	50 00		58 28			
20. Newport News	Geo. W. Wray		136 00	136 00	1700 00	1700 00		120 00		180 00			
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896		1801 00 1800 00	1739 87 1745 97	20371 00 20279 00	19732 49 19872 39	702 24 460 64	1034 17 964 31	38 25 58 18	1592 29 1346 63	82 63 102 21	578 93 594 92	346 50 299 07
	Increase Decrease	0.4.00	1 00	6 10	92 00	139 90	241 60	69 86	19 93	245 66	19 58	15 99	47 43

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		В	ENEVO	OLENT	COLLE	CTION	S.			MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTIONS	S	Whole	e oer.	Su		Y-SCH	
PASTORAL CHARGES.		CRENCE CTIONS.		IOP'S	EDUCAT FU	TIONAL ND		FUND.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	lren's	ety.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year	Average r Member.	ber.	Officers and Teachers.	lars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Gen Confe Expe	Anj Confe Expe	Children' Day.	Bible Society.	Sun Scl Purj	Buil an Repa Chu	all c	for all Purposes.	The	Number.	Office	Scholars.	
1. Broad Street	\$180 00	\$180 00	\$50 00	\$50 00	\$59 00	\$59 00	\$78 00	\$78 00	\$25 00	\$17 00	\$12 91	\$44 05	\$341 85	\$	\$1648 78	\$6004 78	\$12 01	1	32	310	
2. Trinity and	128 00	123 00	35 00	35 00	40 00	40 00	53 00	53 00	17 00	12 00	6 86		340 61	870 52	1228 33	5132 00	6 97	5	77	486	18
Chickahominy Miss.	137 00	75 00	39 00	28 00	45 00	21 00	59 00	20 25	10 00	6 00	8 72	1 25	880 01	2018 00	1262 56	6814 89	6 21	2	114	763	80
4. St. James	54 00	54 00	15 00	15 00	18 00	18 00	23 00	23 00	8 00	4 00	2 52		110 98	11 15	864 97	2170 18	7 56	1	27	285	4
5. Denny Street	47 00	47 00	14 00	14 00	16 00	16 00	21 00	21 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	2 65	253 02	225 00	508 00	2041 27	5 13	1	37	357	41
6. Fairmont Avenne	70 00	70 00	20 00	20 00	24 00	12 00	31 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	3 00		275 00	248 00	730 00	2600 00	8 13	1	35	281	20
7. Central – Manchester,	120 00	103 89	35 00	25 20	40 00	25 80	53 00	33 16	15 24	7 64	9 63		269 52	671 83	484 07	3681 34	7 51	2	53	394	10
	66 00	55 00	17 00	17 00	22 00	17 00	30 00	22 00		7 00	2 40		309 11	198 00	299 75	2025 70	4 60	2	47	479	39
8. Fifth Street, "	70 00	37 00	20 00	11 00	23 00	12 00	31 00	16 00	7 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	238 22	104 00	494 51	2321 16	5 20	2	39	406	7
9. West End and Asbury-Manchester	50 00	21 00	15 00	6 50	17 00	7 00	23 00	10 00	3 75	2 00	13 26	11 00	51 13	47 20	174 07	1176 78	3 57	4	31	220	7
10. Henrico	24 00	10 00	7 00	3 50	7 00	3 50	9 00	4 50						600 00	27 70	803 76	5 05	2	10	115	*****
11. Charles City			9 00	9 00	13 00	13 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	12 68	7 86	22 71	77 71	155 34	880 84	3 37	4	35	160	
12. New Kent	30 00	31 00		6 00	10 00	6 65	13 00	8 00	3 00	2 00	14 55	3 16		46 50	65 00	570 07	2 37	3	28	111	
13. West New Kent	30 00	20 00	9 00			3 50	17 00	3 75	2 00	2 00		1 00	32 10	127 29	35 00	709 00	5 91	1	12	70	4
14. West Point	34 00	6 64	11 00	2 50	13 00			10 00	3 00	2 00	11 00	1 00		470 00	195 00	1531 78	4 31	4	43	250	12
15. East King & Queen	50 00	40 00	15 00	10 00	17 00	7 00	24 00	5 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	3 00	1	178 00	265 00	2174 00	2 70	6	85	401	25
16. Gloucester	79 00	20 00	23 00	10 00	26 00	5 00	34 00		2 20	2 20	12 89	1 00		368 00	168 50	1358 47	3 23	3	45	264	14
17. Gloucester Point	55 00	10.00	15 00	3 00	18 00	10 00	25 00	10 00	4 00	2 00	4 15	4 04		561 08	402 44	1599 84	10 38	1	14	120	8
18. Williamsburg	25 00	25 00	7 00	7 00	8 00	8 00	11 00	11 00		2 00	10 50		193 07	75 00	229 43	1597 18	1 67	4	83	575	
19. York	61 00	19 00	17 00	7 00	20 00	2 00	27 00	6 00	2 00			5 00	464 33	1025 00	1428 46	5343 19	1 12	3	51	603	20
20. Newport News	122 00	122 00	34 00	34 00	40 00	40 00	52 00	52 00	18 00	11 00	7 40		4124 42	7922 28	10667 11	50536 23	5 62	52	898	6650	
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1430 00 1430 00	1069 53 1022 76	407 00 418 00	313 70 292 45	473 00 473 00	326 45 242 65	627 00 627 00	416 66 303 45		100 84 125 00		52 16	4011 60	6864 80	7587 64	45817 64	5 30	51	925	6443	470
Increase		40.55		21 25		83 80		113 21	89 19	94 16	6 42		112 82	1057 48	3079 47	4718 59	32	1	27	207	139

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	rs.	Варт	risms.				ME	EMBE	RSHII	POFT	THE CHU	JRCH	•					EPW	'TH G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER	ry.
	ach			MEME	B'RS.	rs.	r.		ai l		COMPAR	ATIVE	e st.					LEA	-	CH	IURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certificate and Otherwise.	Total Gains.	Deaths		With- dr'w'ls so	-	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	Value of all other Church Property.
1. Broad Street	2	7	7	500		500	476	24		38	42	80	8	48			56	1	100	1	\$50000 00		\$	\$ 500 00
2. Trinity and	1	26	18	736		736	509	227		52	225	277	6	26	18		50	3	121	4	31500 90	1	3000 00	2650 00
Chickahominy Miss 3. Union Station	2	59	7	1097		1097	1138		41	121	11	132	18	142	13		173	4	200	2	31000 00	1	3000 00	1000 00
4. St. James		8	1	286	1	287	274	13		18	10	28	3	11	1		15	2	200	1	11000 00			250 00
5. Denny Street		17	7	398		398	348	50		50	15	65	7	6	2		15	1	31	1	4750 00			150 00
6. Falrmont Avenue		22	5	320		320	278	42		41	30	71	8	20	1		29	1	41	1	7500 00	1	2000 00	900 00
7. Central-Manchester,		5	5	490		490	495		5	9	11	20	7	17	1		25	2	90	1	8000 00	1	1600 00	2500 00
8. Fifth Street, "	1	40	19	440		440	393	47		69	20	89	3	31	8		42			1	3000 00	1	1600 00	1000 00
9. West End and	2	17	14	446		446	405	41		46	37	83	3	39			42	4	232	2	5700 00			350 00
Asbury-Manchester, 10. Henrico	1	17		328	1	329	345		16	19	5	24	5	30	5	•••••	-10			4	5100 00	1	1200 00	700 00
11. Charles City		19		158	1	159	223		64	26	•••••	26		90			90	1	35	2	2000 00			
12. New Kent			2	261		261	278		17	1		1	-4	13	1		18			4	3500 00			300 00
13. West New Kent		19	2	239	2	241	224	17		27	4	31	6	8		ļ	14	1	60	4	3200 00	1	1000 00	200 00
14. West Point		4		120		120	151		31	6	4	10	1	40			41	1	30	1	7500 00			
15. East King & Queen		4	5	355		355	368		13	8	2	10	-4	9	10		28			4	3750 00	1	600 00	595 00
16. Gloucester		11	8	806		806	804	2		15	10	25	5	15	3		23			5	4000 00	1	600 00	500 00
17. Gloucester Point	2	5	5	420		420	438		18	14	2	16	4	23	7		34	1	25	3	2700 00	1	1500 00	500 00
18. Williamsburg		Ð	2	154		154	149	5		17	5	22		16	1		17	1	55	2	5400 00			250 00
19. York	3	15		956	1	957	975		18	1	7	8	7	14	5		26			5	7500 00	1	1400 00	500 00
20. Newport News		18	6	475		475	379	96		51	60	111	2	9	4		15	1	40	3	20000 00			1500 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	14 16	322 296	113 193	8985 8643	6 7	8991 8650	8650 8234	341 416		629 665	500 400	1129 1065	101 140	607 496	80 66	5	788 707	24 19	1260 1384	51 52	217100 00 204500 00	11 10	17500 00 16700 00	14345 00 30915 00
Increase Decrease	2	26	80	342		341				66	100	64	39	111	14		[*] 81	5	124		12600 00	1	800 00	16570 00

GENERAL FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

			SU	PPORT OF T	HE MINISTR	Y.			MISS	SIONARY	COLLE	CTIONS.	
	NAMES OF	NG ES.	PRESIDING EI	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PASTO	R.	DOMI	ESTIC.		FORE	EIGN.	1
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S.	Raised by R. B'ds
West Richmond Dis.	P Whitehead P E		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	W. V. Tudor and		265 00	265 00	2500 00	2500 00		190 00		318 00		221 24	56 67
1. Centenary	E. L. Pell,		212 00	212 00	1800 00	1800 00		152 00		255 25		109 25	37 00
2. Clay Street			244 00	244 00	2100 00	2100 00		175 00		292 00		100 00	40 25
3. Park Place	T. N. Potts		138 00	138 00	1300 00	1300 00		40 00	•••••	100 00	13 00	53 00	
4. Laurel Street			07.00	81 15	1200 00	1025 15	188 70	60 00		110 00		65 70	1 74
5. Asbury			1	42 00	450 00	450 00		20 00	10 00	38 60	11 40		
6. Highland Park			42 00	52 28	550 00	492 38	66 34			40 00	15 00		
7. Barton Heights	W. F. Davis	3 50	61 00		809 00	795 67	14 63	10 00		15 00		67 00	53 53
8. Hanover	G. H. McFaden		84 00	82 70	400 00	400 00		30 00		65 00	4 58		21 40
9. King William	Porter Hardy	13 20	42 00	42 00	1000 00	1065 50		76 00	17 40	126 00	19 00	136 80	35 69
10. Ashland	W. E. Judkins	5 50	106 00	106 00		383 00	22 75	10 80		17 50			3 84
11. Ashland Circuit	T. J. Wray	10 43	41 00	39 25	404 00		58 40			29 67		33 00	8 50
12. West Hanover	S. W. Day		50 00	43 51	400 00	348 09	37 50	5 00		15 00		32 50	45 65
13. Caroline	F. W. Proctor		41 00	33 5 0	385 00	355 00		10 00	35	26 70	40		
14. Goochland	J. W. Heckman	14 00	42 00	29 45	450 00	315 45	147 10			8 25			
15. West Goochland	J. E. McSparran		43 00	23 74	530 00	290 32	258 94	10 25		79 00		38 99	7 25
16. Cartersville	and W. D. Mower		64 00	61 30	616 00	581 70	37 00	44 00		60 00			27 64
17. Chesterfield	R. B. Scott		93 00	93 00	802 00	812 95	**********	40 00					
18. West Chesterfield	W. H. Riddick		68 60	64 20	675 00	637 20	41 60	20 00		40 00			3 00
19. South Chesterfield		1	59 00	51 27	553 00	479 75	80 98	10 00		20 00			0 00
			10 00	.5 00	90 00	81 14	13 86	1 82		4 95		055 40	342 16
20. Powhatan	Totals for 1897		1800 00	1709 35	17014 00	16213 30 16143 70	892 35 624 49	922 87 904 77	27 75 57 85	1660 92 1540 00	63 38 86 33	857 48 715 38	324 21
	Totals for 1896	127 75	1773 00	1659 31	16654 50 359 50	69 60	267 86	18 10		120 92		142 10	17 95
	Increase Decrease		. 27 00	50 04		09 00			30 10		22 95		

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	=	В	ENEVO	OLENT	COLLE	CTION	s.			MISCI	ELLA	VEOU	s coll	ECTION	s.	Whole	er.	Su		Y-SCH	
PASTORAL CHARGES.		RENCE CTIONS.	BISH		EDUCAT		CHURC	CH EX-	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For All Other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year for al.	Average er Member.	Number.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Gen Confe Exp	And Confe Exp	Chilo	Soc	Sun Sel Purj	Buj a Rep Chu	All Pur	Purposes.	The	Nar	Office		
1. Centenary	\$182 00	\$182 00	\$52 00	\$52 00	\$60 00	\$60 00	\$80 00	\$80 00	\$	\$16 00	\$	\$44 80	\$248 85	\$100 25	\$4800 45	\$9135 26	\$14 16	1	44	322	8
1. 001101101	146 00	146 00	41 00	41 00	48 00	48 00	64 00	64 00		14 00	14 38	11 62	300 00		3002 74	6220 49	9 09	1	54	. 370	15
2. Clay Street	168 00	168 00	47 00	47 00	55 00	55 00	74 00	74 00		15 00	5 38	20 00	218 57		2692 89	6247 09	8 98	1	36	243	10
3. Park Place	95 00	95 00	26 00	26 00	31 00	20 00	42 00	10 00	6 00	5 00	5 23	2 60	381 83	2070 70	431 10	4697 46	7 03	2	67	489	
4. Laurel Street		66 00	19 00	16 00	23 00	23 00	29 00	25 00			4 81		80 14		677 45	2236 14	8 77	1	24	142	
5. Asbury	66 00		8 00	8 00	10 00	10 00	13 00	13 00	4 50	3 00	6 75	2 11	84 00	600 00	100 00	1432 36	13 02	1	20.	117	1
6. Highland Park	29 00	29 00		6 00	13 00	3 00	17 00	5 00	1 00		2 82		87 17	255 92	47 90	1041 97	9 13	1	20	112	9
7. Barton Heights	43 00	30 00	11 00		20 00	7 00	25 00	6 00	5 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	170 27	79 00	219 68	1552 85	3 56	4	62	334	30
8. Hanover	58 00	21 00	17 00	10 00		10 00	13 00	13 00	2 50	2 00	9 54	7 46		166 54	20 00	932 09	2 59	4	39	275	19
9. King William	29 00	29 00	9 00	9 00	10 00			32 00		7 00	9 17	16 05		128 80	144 79	2228 94	9 40	2	32	217	1
10. Ashland	73 00	73 00	22 00	22 00	24 00	24 00	32 00		4.4	1 08	3 30	1 00		15 00		530 82	1 82	5	35	180	3
11. Ashland Circuit	28 00	10 10	7 00	2 52	9 00	3 24	12 00	4 32	44			3 00		86 00	79 00	773 96	1 29	5	49	318	20
12. West Hanover	33 00	17 00	9 00	4 00	11 00	6 00	14 00	8 00	1 50	2 00	14 00	3 00		93 00		598 90	1 17	3	16	225	50
13. Caroline	29 00	8 00	8 00	4 25	10 00	2 00	12 00	5 00				0.10			30 00	486 40	1 40	4	23	215	40
14. Goochland	29 00	11 00	9 00	3 00	10 00	3 50	13 00	4 50	1 50	1 00	13 45	2 10		111 00	35 20	550 85	1 05	8	40	341	
15. West Goochland and	29 00	10 00	9 00	3 00	9 00	3 00	13 00	3 50	2 00	1 00	8 50	2 20		111 09	67 74	1180 17	4 19	3	33	183	9
East Louisa Mission 16. Cartersville	43 00	43 00	13 00	13 00	15 00	15 00	19 00	19 00	7 00	5 00	4 50	2 00		150 00	146 00	1903 34	4 84	6	57	370	12
17. Chesterfield	64 00	40 00	17 00	10 00	21 00	12 50	28 00	17 50	1 60	1 65	7 00		150 00	478 00		1148 25	3 67	4	30	221	9
18. West Chesterfield	46 00	20 00	13 00	9 00	16 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	2 00	3 00	7 00	4 00		162 50	109 00	1362 27	2 40	7	74	320	10
19. South Chesterfield	39 00	13 00	12 00	6 00	13 00	9 00	18 00	13 00	2 00	2 00	1 60	1 65	150 00	475 00	125 00		1 25	2	12	50	
20. Powhatan	6 00	2 42	2 00	2 00	· 2 00	50	3 00	50	1 20		6 32	29			10 00	116 14		'		5044	241
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1235 00 1235 00	1013 52 984 40	351 00 361 00	294 27 286 25	409 00 409 00	324 74 315 35	542 00 542 00	407 32 380 81	38 24 138 00	82 73 132 75	128 75 114 09	128 38 82 98	2374 97 2618 02	4971 80 3436 07	10817 90	44375 75 40865 92	5 48 5 14	65 60	723	4722	382
Increase		29 12	10 00	8 02		9 39		26 51	99 76	50 02	14 66	45 40	040 0	1535 73	1921 04	3509 83	34	5	44	322	141

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	ers	BAPT	ISMS.				ME	EMBE	RSHI	POF	THE CHU	RCH						EPV	G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER	TY.
	Preachers	-		MEME	, RS	S :	r.	ai ai	نه		COMPAR	ATIVE	ST					DEA		CH	HURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Pre	- *	zô			ber Zea	tal ber	et	et	1 64	GAINS.		- 02		Loss				ers				1	Value of all other
-	Local	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Color'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certificate and Otherwise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expulsions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	Church Property
1. Centenary	1	4	4	645		645	654		9	11	31	42	10	38	3		51	1	55	1	\$35000 00	1	\$8000 00	\$12000 00
2. Clay Street	2	15	12	684		684	687		3	37	21	58	11	36	14		61	1	100	1	25000 00		ŧ	1000 00
3. Park Place	1	11	6	696		696	681	15		30	33	63	10	38			48	2	175	1	60000 00	1	6000 00	4000 00
4. Laurel Street		45	15	641		641	600	41		93	25	118	5	54	18		77	3	323	2	16200 00			1400 00
5. Asbury	1	8		255		255	251	4		15	25	40	1	29	6		36	2	100	1	10000 00			200 00
6. Highland Park		1	1	110		110	99	11		1	10	11	•••••							1	6500 00			
7. Barton Heights		4	2	114		114	119		5	9	1	10		15			15	1	12	1	4500 00	*****		250 00
8. Hanover	1	31	1	436		436	427	9		39	2	41	4	26	2		32	3	400	4	4000 00	1	1500 00	200 00
9. King William		26		360		360	329	31		36	7	43	6	5	1		12	1	18	4	5000 00	1	1000 00	
10. Ashland	1	1	2	237		237	237			7	11	18	2	13	3		18			2	6500 00	1	2000 00	450 00
11. Ashland Circuit		7		292		292	340		48	8		8	11	21	24		56	1	33	5	2800 00			
12. West Hanover		29		598	1	599	567	32		34	4	38	4	2			6			6	4853 00			450 00
13. Caroline		27		510		510	488	22		34	8	42	5	15			20	1	30	4	3500 00			
14. Goochland		22		348		348	386		38	24	17	41	4	48	27	•••••	79	1	45	4	2700 00	1	800 00	
15. West Goodhland and	1	37	4	523		523	471	52		62		62	6	1	3		10	1	37	6	3300 00	1	800 00	150 00
East Louisa Mission 16. Cartersville		18	3	282		282	254	28		35	1	36	4	4			8	3	125	5	5000 00	1	1000 00	300 00
17. Chesterfield	2	16	6	393		393	387	6		20	13	33	2	25			27	2	48	5	9300 00	1	2000 00	600 00
18. West Chesterfield		6	5	313		313	312	1		12	3	15	4	7	3		14	2	129	4	8500 00	1	2000 00	150 00
19. South Chesterfield	2	12	5	568		568	550	18		18	11	29	7	4			11	1	60	8	5300 00	1	1000 00	300 00
20. Powhatan		8	3	93		93	86	7		11	2	13	1	5			6			2	1000 00	•••••		60 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	12 16	328 372	69 67	8098 7924	1	8099 7925	7925 7316	174 609		536 640	225 471	761 1114	97 81	386 395	104 28	1	587 505	26 13	1690 926	66 65	218953 00 221485 00	11 10	26100 00 19900 00	21510 00 8995 0 0
Increase	4	44	2	174		174				104	246	353	16	9	76	1	82	13	764	1	2532 00	1	6200 00	12515 00

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	1		S	UPPORT OF T	HE MINISTE	RY.			MIS	SIONAR	Y COLLE	CTIONS.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	NAMES OF	ING SES.	PRESIDING E	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAI	M OF THE PAS	TOR.	DOM	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASIUNAII CITATIOES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	in	Raised by W. M. S	Raised by R. B'ds
Rappahannock Dis.	C. E. Watts, P. E	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Whitestone	J. W. S. Robins		125 00	125 00	900 00	900 00		60 00		92 96		105 00	61 00
2. Lancaster	B. E. Ledbetter		104 00	104 00	750 00	750 00		25 00		32 00		50 00	25 00
3. Heathsville	C. R. James		110 00	110 00	800 00	800 00	***************************************	64 00		93 00	14 00		9 84
4. Bethany	J. M. Burton	64 00	116 00	116 00	900 00	900 00		80 00		140 00		61 30	43 10
5. Richmond Circuit	M. S. Colonna, Jr		58 00	51 50	423 00	375 50	54 00	30 00		50 00	******	9 50	18 50
6. Whealton	L. T. Williams		48 00	48 00	100 00	400 00		12 23		19 19		13 34	
7. Westmoreland	J. D. Forkner	44 00	91 00	85 67	700 00	659 00	46 33	43 81	8 19	35 44	66 71	10 26	
8. Montross	E. F. Hall		42 00	30 24	348 00 ′	281 13	78 63	11 00		16 00	***************************************	12 75	7 13
9. King George	W. G. Bates		88 00	83 58	709 00	684 92	28 50	21 91	12 00	42 80	15 30	*****	8 00
10. Spotsylvania	C. H. Williams	•••••	53 00	58 00	400 00	400 00		21 00	10 00	40 00	12 00	•••••	************
11. Bowling Green	W. F. Hayes	20 00	76 00	63-96	560 00	471 26	100 78	44 00		70 00			9 24
12. Essex	W. B. Jett	15 00	76 00	60 86	575 00	460 43	129 71	25 00		48 00	******	42 00	3 00
13. King and Queen	R. E. Bentley		41 00	33 36 .	359 00	297 85	68 79	24 00		40 00		••••••	12 34
14. Middlesex	M. S. Watts and		106 00	50 06	875 00	452 81	478 13	20 00		82 10			•••••
15. West Mathews	J. L. Pribble	50 00	103 00	98 80	750 00	719 27	34 93	30 00		54 00		************	57 98
16. Mathews	J. E. Deshazo	43 00	160 00	160 00	1100 00	1100 00		64 00	36 00	220 00	30 00	20 25	77 82
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	236 00 190 80	1397 00 1399 00	1274 03 1298 88	10549 00 10273 00	9652 17 9662 04	1019 80 711 08	575 95 537 01	66 19 21 77	1025 49 790 29	138 01 91 52	324 40 256 86	332 95 430 07
	Increase Decrease	45 20	2 00	24 85	276 00	9 87	308 72	38 94	44 42	235 20	46 49	67 54	97 12

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		В	ENEVO	LENT	COLLE	CTION	S.		N	MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTION	S.	Whole	e	Su		Y-SCH	1 0/2
PASTORAL CHARGES.	CONFE	RENCE	BISH	op's	EDUCAT	TIONAL		CH EX-	General Conference Expenses.	Annual onference ixpenses.	lren's	Bible ociety.	Sunday- school Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year	Average ber Member.	ber.	Officers and Teachers.	ars.	ersion
rasional offices.	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed	Paid.	Ass'ed	Paid.	Gen Confe Expe	Annual Conference Expenses	Children's Day.	Soc	Sun sch Purj	Buil al Repa Chui	Fall o	for all Purposes.	The A	Number.	Office	Scholars.	Conv
	\$70 00	\$70 00	\$20 00	\$20 00	\$23 00	\$23 00	\$31 00	\$31 00	\$5 00	\$4 00	\$58 04	\$3 00	\$100 00	\$250 00	\$385 00	\$2283 00	\$5 25	4	55	400	30
1. Whitestone		40 00	17 00	13 00	19 00	8 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	50 00	200 00	190 00	1510 00	3 45	5	45	261	-5
2. Lancaster	58 00			18 00	20 00	20 00	27 00	27 00		6 00	20 00	21 00	33 12	245 28	89 55	1631 79	3 12	4	52	365	6
3. Heathsville	61 00	61 00	18 00		22 00	22 00	29 00	29 00	6 75	6 00	9 00	12 83	32 89	22 10	72 67	1702 64	5 27	3	45	224	2
4. Bethany	66 00	66 00	19 00	19 00		7 00	14 00	12 50		1 50	5 00		35 53	50 00	156 00	840 53	1 77	4	48	325	
5. Richmond Circuit	32 00	30 00	9 00	8 00	11 00	2 74	12 00	3 78	67	65	6 50			409 58	67 98	993 40	12 88	1	12	60	22
6. Whealton	27 00	7 02	7 00	1 72	9 00			22 00		5 00	17 70	5 77	47 23	530 00	77 14	1739 92	3 86	4	32	273	36
7. Westmoreland	51 00	51 00	14 00	14 00	17 00	17 00	22 00		1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00		50 00	36 00	469 25	1 36	4	53	250	
8. Montross	24 00	10 00	7 00	3 00	8 00	3 00	10 00	4 00		3 35	15 95	2 00		332 50	44 41	1416 80	2 81	5	43	215	8
9. King George	49 00	32 83	14 00	9 38	16 00	10 72	21 00	14 07	3 35		5 50	3 00		500 00	90 00	1344 50	2 92	7	40	344	15
10. Spotsylvania	30 00	30 00	8 00	8 00	10 00	10 00	13 00	13 00	1 00	3 00		2 32		219 97	167 77	1243 05	2 74	6		373	5
11. Bowling Green	42 00	25 00	12 00	8 00	14 00	8 00	19 00	10 00	4 29	4 00	10 24					828 92	1 95	3		190	
12. Essex	42 00	27 00	12 00	7 00	14 00	8 00	19 00	9 00	4 00	2 00	4 63	3 00	17 00	63 00	30 00		2 27	1	30	286	36
13. King and Queen	23 00	23 00	6 00	6 00	8 00	8 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	13 25	2 00	32 72	232 51	49 34	791 37		4			
14. Middlesex		19 00	17 00	6 00	19 00	6 00	26 00	9 00	36	2 00						597 38	1 06	6		208	
15. West Mathews	00	35 00	16 00	7 00	19 00	7 00	25 00	10 00	4 00	3 00	22 60	6 35	143 76		165 00	2083 48	3 94	6		381	
16. Mathews		89 00	26 00	26 00	29 00	25 00	39 00	33 00	13 00	6 46	36 16	3 00	169 31	519 02	226 65	2897 67	2 30	6		756	38
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896		615 85 566 17	222 00 228 00	174 10 171 83	258 00 258 00	185 46 177 18	342 00 342 00	247 35 217 51	53 42 66 43	51 96 74 68	231 57 183 78	66 27 47 10	991 29 958 59	4293 68 5635 26	1837 51 1826 70	22373 65 23204 50	2 94 3 14	72 70 -—	711 745	4911 5018	203 256
Increase		49 68	6 00			8 28		29 84	13 01	22 72	47 79	19 17	32 70		10 81	830 85	20	2	34	107	53

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	ri Si	BAPT	ISMS.				ME	EMBE	RSHI	P OF T	THE CHU	JRCH						EPW	TH G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER	TY.
	Preach'rs.			мемн	'RS	ers	ers ed ar.	se.	se.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIV	e st		MEN'					CI	HURCHES.	PA	RSONAGES	Value of
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Local Pr	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certtfl- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expul-sions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Whitestone	1	35	2	435		435	391	44		48	2	50	2	4			6	1	50	3	\$9000 00	1	\$1000 00	\$100 00
2. Lancaster		6	3	429		429	430		1	6	1	7	4	4			8	1	25	4	9550 00	1	1800 00	750 00
3. Heathsville	2	3	2	523		523	521	2		5	4	9	4	1	2		7	2	92	4	8800 00	1	2000 00	
4. Bethany		1	2	323		323	331 .		8	3	1	4	6	6			12			1	2000 00	1	1800 00	250 00
5. Richmond Circuit		9		474		474	406	68		10	78	88	4	14	2	•••••	20	1	11	4	4500 00	*****	******	350 00
6. Whealton		12	1	77		77	45	32		28	4	32	••••				•••••	1	45	1	1200 00	1	650 00	150 00
7. Westmoreland	1	6	20	450	1	451	528		77	15	2	17	5	89			94	2	62	4	5500 00	1	1200 00	
8. Montross		12	3	344		344	330	14		22		22	4		4		8	1	35	4	3500 00			
9. King George		8	2	505		505	529		24	11		11	1	34			35	1	25	5	7900 00	1	2000 00	3000 00
10. Spotsylvania	1	27		461		461	438	23		38	11	49	6	6	14		26			7	5300 00	1	1200 00	200 00
11. Bowling Green		9	6	453		453	468		15	21	16	37	5	34	13		52			5	6500 00			400 00
12. Essex		15		426		426	436		10	27	1	28	6	24	8		38			8	4100 00	1	1200 00	
13. King and Queen	1	31	1	348	1	349	327	22		41	3	44	6	16			22	1	28	4	7500 00	1	800 00	125 00
14. Middlesex		4		564		. 564	553	11		4	30	34	6	9	8		23			-6	9000 00			500 00
15. West Mathews	1	16	12	529		529	520	9		23	9	32	12	4	7		23	1	21	5	8800 00	1	1200 00	
16. Mathews	1	16	60	1256	3	1259	1132	127		139	31	170	12	27	4		43			7	11645 00	1	1600 00	500 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	8 8	210 234	114 62	7597 7380	5 5	7602 7385	7385 7249	217 136		441 381	193 201	634 582	83 101	272 188	62 27	1	417 317	12 5	394 105	67 65	104795 00 105750 00	12 11	16450 00 16700 00	6325 00 3885 00
Increase		24	52	217		217				60	8	52	8	84	35	₁	100	1	289	2	955 00	1	250 00	2440 00

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			SU	JPPORT OF T	HE MINISTE	RY.			MISS	SIONARY	COLLE	CTIONS.	
	NAMES OF	ING	PRESIDING EL	DER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PAST	OR.	DOME	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S	Raised by R. B'ds
Charlottesville Dist	J. S. Hunter, P. E		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Charlottesville	J. W. Bledsoe		165 00	165 00	1650 00	1650 00		100 00	50 00	100 00	54 00	108 00	32 39
2. Albemarle	D. G. C. Butts and		80 00	70 67	1000 00	895 59	113 74	38 65		54 50	8 00		30 14
3. Scottsville	J. B. Lavinder Jno. H. Kabler		74 00	57 30	740 00	573 11	183 59	30 00		37 77			26 27
4. Batesville	J. W. Carroll	30 00	110 00	110 00	925 00	925 00		82 00		147 49			28 90
5. Nelson	R. B. Blankenship,		70 00	63 56	710 00	631 14	85 30	23 75		23 76.			
6. Rockfish	W. L. Ware			34 00	300 00	300 00		20 00		30 00			
7. Amherst	A. C. Berryman			82 00	750 00	750 00		33 00	2 00	58 10	3 00		
8. West Amherst	M. A. Davidson			46 40	700 00	518 30	205 30	12 00		18 00		17 60	
9. Mt. Pleasant	A. C. Jordan	1	66 00	58 24	560 00	493 26	74 50	10 50	******	16 00			
10. Milton Mission	B. F. Smith	1	30 00	12 67	300 00	. 126 71	190 62	75	,	50			2 37
11. Fluvanna	N. J. Pruden		60 00	60 00	540 00	540 00		25 00		45 50	3 76		15 00
12. Louisa	C. L. Bane		99 00	99 00	775 00	775 00		30 00		36 00	7 16		
13. Gordonsville	Paul Bradley		71 00	71 00	600 00	600 00		28 00		40 00		20 00	13 00
14. Orange	Geo. E. Booker		60 00	60 00	600 00	600 00		15 00		50 00			13 00
15. Greene	J. Q. Rhodes		73 00	65 49	800 00	728 07	79 44	32 00	************	40 00			
16. Madison	C. F. Comer and		86 00	82 00	1050 00	946 16	107 84	54 00		80 00			
17. Woodville	Frank Burruss R. G. James	3		26 00	245 00	190 37	54 63	6 25		8 00			
18. Culpeper	H. P. Mitchell and		70 00	70 00	700 00	700 00		10 00		10 00			
19. Culpeper Circuit	Geo. Wesley Jones W. J. Williams	3	50 00	45 50	500 00	442 15	62 35	24 12		34 84			25 57
20. Rappahannock	W. A. S. Conrad			89 10	846 00	755 92	99 98	44 00		65 00			28 23
Ev. Rappanannon	Totals for 1897	39 00	1475 00 1448 80	1367 93 1271 22	14291 00 14113 50	13140 78 12509 02	1257 29 1782 06	619 02 492 87	52 00 36 50	895 46 753 69	75 92 56 88	145 60 157 50	214 87 165 33
	Increase		40.00	96 71	177 50	631 76	524 77	126 15	15 50	141 77	19 04	11 90	49 54

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	1	E	BENEVO	OLENT	COLLE	CTION	s.			MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTIONS	3.	Whole	er.	Su	NDA	Y-SCH	io'Ls
PASTORAL CHARGES.	COLLEC		BISE	IOP'S ND.	EDUCA'	rional ND	CHURO TENS'N	CH EX-	ence ence	ual rence nses.	ren's	ty.	lay- ool oses.	ing ring	ther oses.	Amount Raised during the	verage Member.	er.	s and	rs.	rsions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	Year for all Purposes.	The A	Number.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions
1. Charlottesville	\$124 00	\$92 00	\$35 00	\$26 00	\$11 00	\$26 00	\$32 00	\$25 00	\$10 00	\$5 00	\$6 00	\$5 00	\$186 17	\$1600 00	\$500 00	\$4740 56	\$6 16	2	24	560	16
2. Albemarle	60 00	35 00	17 00	10 00	20 00	11 80	26 00	15 30	6 40	2 30	26 69		50 99	175 43	146 81	1578 27	2 77	7	56	446	34
3. Scottsville	56 00	15 00	16 00	5 00	19 00	4 67	24 00	15 00				3 20		198 36	91 65	1057 33	2 50	5	34	261	15
4. Batesville	66 00	66 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	37 00	37 00	5 00	5 00	19 75	7 02	62 04	96 15	236 28	1897 63	2 47	6	50	397	41
5. Nelson	53 00	35 00	15 00	8 25	18 00	7 00	23 00	10 00	4 00	3 00	1 53		56 73	48 35	37 42	953 49	1 97	4	40	250	25
6. Rockfish	21 00	20 00	6 00	4 00	8 00	5 00	12 00	9 00	1 00	1 00		********	15 82	462 00	106 75	1008 57	2 75	7	,56	215	95
7. Amherst	50 00	37 00	14 00	10 00	17 00	13 00	22 00	15 00	5 00	3 00	5 94	2 50	100 20	890 00	175 00	2184 74	4 02	8	75	475	15
8. West Amherst	53 00	12 70	15 00	6 00	18 00	3 00	23 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	3 00	80	47 00	388 00	60 00	1139 30	1 81	8	62	383	14
9. Mt. Pleasant	50 00	15 00	14 00	5 00	17 00	5 50	21 00	5 00	3 00	3 00		*******	41 58	505 00	39 88	1200 96	1 73	6	73	580	20
10. Milton Mission	23 00	2 00	7 00	50	8 00	75	10 00	1 00				75		5 00		153 00	56	4	19	180	5
11. Fluvanna	45 00	24 00	13 00	8 50	15 00	8 50	20 00	12 00	2 50	2 00	5 01	1 96	36 70	101 60	132 94	1024 97	1 86	6	52	358	13
12. Louisa	62 00	33 00	17 00	11 00	19 00	9 00	27 00	8 00	2 00	5 00		1 25	61 25	185 65	114 00	1377 31	1 89	7	52	376	18
13. Gordonsville	46 00	23 00	13 00	7 00	14 00	6 00	21 00	6 00	2 00	2 00			28 00	245 00	113 68	1204 68	3 07	2	32	180	10
14. Orange	45 00	25 00	13 00	10 00	14 00	10 00	19 00	11 03	4 00	4 00	4 22	2 00	40 00		556 30	1413 55	4 49	5	35	221	
15. Greene	54 00	35 00	15 00	11 00	18 00	10 00	22 00	10 00	3 00	4 00			100 00	300 00	200 00	1538 56	1 98	8	71	450	10
16. Madison	64 00	45 00	18 00	13 00	21 00	14 00	27 00	18 00	2 50	3 50			******	249 00	1058 75	2565 91	2 76	7	96	325	
17. Woodville	18 00	9 00	6 00	4 00	8 00	3 00	9 00	3 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	18 00	95 00	224 00	592 12	1 42	4	34	212	
18. Culpeper	53 00	20 00	15 00	10 00	15 00	10 00	22 00	5 00					45 00	25 00	75 00	980 00	7 26	1	12	65	2
19. Culpeper Circult	38 00	20 36	11 00	5 89	13 00	6 96	16 00	8 57	2 15	2 16	11 30	2 75	33 03	503 13	250 16	1418 64	2 59	8	56	338	6
20. Rappahannock	59 00	40 00	16 00	12 00	17 00	10 00	24 00	12 00		4 00	19 00	1 00	76 65	217 22	562 00	1936 12	3 48	8	83	470	
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1040 00 1040 00	604 06 576 32	296 00 304 00	187 14 181 95	344 00 344 00	184 18 156 25	456 00 456 00	228 40 188 99	56 55 51 63	52 46 67 85	103 44 42 47	29 23 11 12	999 16 1197 43	6289 89 4703 69	4680 62 4355 07	29965 71 27164 89	2 76 2 62			6742 6145	339 255
Increase		27 74	8 00	5 19		27 93		39 41	4 92	15 39	60 97	18 11	198 27	1586 20	325 55	2800 82	14	7	42	597	84

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	92 II	RAPT	risms.				ME	MBE	RSHI	POF	THE CHU	JRCH.						EPV	'TH		CHUR	CH	PROPER'	ΓY.
	Preach'rs.	DATA	151151	MEMB	'RS.	ស្ដ	r.		o°.	,	COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVE	STA		MENT			13137		CH	URCHES.	PAF	RSONAGES	Value of
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Local Prea	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profes- sion of Faith.	Certificate and Other-wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths				Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property
131	$\frac{1}{2}$	11	- 1	770		770	729	41		37	38	75	7	26	1		34	1	102	2	\$16500 00	2	\$7000 00	\$1700 00
1. Charlottesville			5	567	3	570	570			22	18	40	7	25	8		40	1	17	6	6400 00	1	1500 00	420 00
2. Albemarle	1	19			2	422	538		116	19	7	26	3	138	1		142			5	5400 00	1	1000 00	150 00
3. Scottsville		9	4	420	2	767	666	101		106	26	132	9	17	5		31	1	38	6	6000 00	1	1000 00	300 00
4. Batesville		84	10	766	1		424	65		43	28	71	2	2	2		6	1	40	4	4000 00	1	900 00	300 00
5. Nelson		31	8	484		484				60	132	192	8	5	1		14	1	30	5	4000 00			150 00
6. Rockfish		63	2	366	•••••	366	188	178			10	32	3	13	1		17	1	15	7	7250 00	1	1200 00	400 00
7. Amherst	1	13	11	543	1	544	529	15	******	22		37	2	13			15			8	5050 00	1	2000 00	200 00
8. West Amherst	1	27	5	631		631	609	22		33	4				******		7			6	4900 00	1	1100 00	400 00
9. Mt. Pleasant	2	23	1	695		695	666	29		33	3	36	3	4	*****					3	1300 00			30 00
10. Milton Mission		7	1	272	,	272	274		2	9	1	10	2	10	•••••	*****	12			6	7000 00	1	1000 00	450 00
11. Fluvanna	2	22		550	2	552	540	12		24	5	29	4	13		•••••	17					1	1500 00	550 00
12. Louisa	2	34	3	728	1	729	737		8	38	5	43	6	36	9	•••••	51	3	67	7	9200 00	1		400 00
13. Gordonsville		25	5	392		392	372	20	*******	32	3	35	5	9	1		15	•••••		2	6000 00			
	2	31		315		315	282	33		41	2	43	1	9			10			4	8800 00	1	1750 00	
14. Orange		21	1	775	1	776	756	20		21	2	23	1	2			3			8	5000 90	1	2000 00	200 00
15. Greene	1	56	10	929	1	930	895	35		77	7	84	12	24	13		49			8	10000 00	1	1200 00	2250 00
16. Madison			1 1	416	_	416	388	28		28	7	35	2	4		1	7			5	2675 00			310 00
17. Woodville		21	1		1	135	141		6	4	4	8	1	13			14	1	45	1	7000 00			
16. Carpoper		3		134	1		524	24		39	6	45	4	17			21			7	4500 00	1	425 00	400 00
19. Culpeper Circuit		28	2	548		548		20		42	4	46	6	7	13		26	3	50	7	9200 00	1	800 00	1000 00
20. Rappahannock	3	34		554	2	556	536			730	312	1042	88	387	55	1	531	13	404	107	130175 00	16	24375 00	9610 00
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Increase	2	79	1	506		506		505		48	107	155	33	125	156	40	355	9	224	3	3775 00	1	225 00	615 00

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DAGMONAL GHADGES	NAMES OF	SES.	PRESIDING	ELDER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PASTO	OR.	DOM	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Defleit.	in	Raised in S.Seh's	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S.	Raised by R. B'ds
Lynchburg District.	O. Littleton, P. E	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$. \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Centenary	W. A. Christian	18 00	223 00	223 00	1900 00	1900 00		168 90		303 00		84 60	
2. Court Street	A. Coke Smith		331 00	331 00	3000 00	3000 00		130 53	104 47	744 47	104 47	228 74	49 68
3. Memorial	Jas. C. Reed		234 00	234 00	1700 00	1700 00		254 90	12 51	559 80	25 03	286 16	56 78
4. Trinity	L. C. Shearer		30 00	30 00	250 00	250 00		15 80		16 50			5 50
5. South View and	P. H. Clements		21 00	21 00	280 00	280 00				5 00			6 06
Providence 6. Cabell Street	Ernest Stevens		52 00	52 00	700 00	700 00		40 00	6 00	61 00	9 00	33 50	4 58
7. Madison Station	1. J. Phaup	18 00	38 00	38 00	600 00	600 00		18 00		20 45	11 50		28 17
8. Bedford Clty	S. S. Lambeth	45 97	92 00	92 00	1000 00	1000 00		24 00		39 30		61 71	16 33
9. Bedford Circuit		19 00	85 25	76 10	900 00	812 16	96 99	43 25		70 00			14 74
10. North Bedford	C. W. Leftwlch		29 00	29 00	350 00	350 00		17 00	**********	18 00			
11. Bedford Springs	R. W. Watts	******	82 00	70 42	760 00	644-33	127 25	20 00		25 00			
12. Middle Bedford	T. E. Johnson		47 00	39 22	400 00	351 69	56 09	10 00		13 00			2 00
13. West Bedford	P. M. Bell		52 00	41 54	560 00	413 82	156 64	16 25	***********	38 58			
14. Staunton River	J. E. Oyler		18 00	14 00	207 00	122 35	88 65	3 05		6 35			
15. West Campbell	Geo. H. Wiley		63 00	63 00	600 00	600 00		21 00		36 00		37 80	
16. Campbell	R. Ferguson		121 00	92 82	1036 00	782 38	281 80	24 00		40 00		66-65	S 00
17. Concord	J. W. Parrish		77 00	77 00	560 00	560 00		23 50		38 00		5 40	13 00
18. Appomattox	S. H. Johnson		72 00	52 18	550 00	405 97	163 85	14 00		30 00	******	************	10 00
19. West Charlotte	Asa Driscoll	28 50	46 00	40 35	517 50	448 65	74 50	20 00		42 10			
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	129 47 216 00	1713 25 1732 00	1616 63 1630 50	15870 50 15815 00	14921 35 14717 91	1045 77 1198 59	864 18 820 74	122 98 147 11	2106 55 1921 30	150 00 58 51	754 56 644 98	214 84 285 29
	Increase Decrease	86 53	18 75	13 87	55 50	203 44	152 82	43 44	24 13	185 25	91 49	109 58	70 45

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		B	ENEVO	OLENT	COLLE	CTION	S.		Ĺ	MISCI	ELLAI	NEOU	S COLI	ECTION	ſS.	Whole	i.	Su	NDA	Y-SCH	io'ls
PASTORAL CHARGES.		RENCE CTIONS.	BISH	IOP'S	EDUCATE FU	TIONAL	CHURC	CH EX-	eral rence nses.		1		1	PD 20 88	1	Amount Raised during the Year	verage Member.	ber.	rs and	ars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches	For All Other Purposes.	for al. Purposes.	The A	Number.	Officers Teache	Scholars	Conve
1. Centenary	\$150 00	\$135 00	\$46 00	\$40 00	\$53 00	\$35 00	\$64 00	\$ 5 00	\$7 80	\$ 7 00	\$ 1 75	\$13 93	\$404 03	\$804 22	\$1842 39	\$5993 62	\$ 9 74	1	46	541	9
2. Court Street	224 00	224 00	63 00	63 00	78 00	78 00	95 00	95 00		21 00	47 65	38 00	438 34	1851 82	2930 02	10480 19	15 10	1	53	534	35
3. Memorial	162 00	162 00	47 00	45 00	56 00	43 00	67 00	47 00		6 81	20 00	6 00	584 89	***********	954 46	4948 34	10 77	2	47	417	12
4. Trinity	21 00	10 50	6 00	2 25	7 00	2 35	9 00	3 15	2 00	1 21	3 28	2 33	26 30	66 20	105 85	543 22	4 68	1	16	102	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
5. South View and											3 00		25 31		54 54	394 91	2 87	2	14	121	11
Providence 6. Cabell Street	34 00	34 00	10 00	10 00	13 00	13 00	14 00	14 00		3 00	5 00	5 00	127 84	796 50	327 55	2241 97	13 42	2	27	197	6
7. Madison Station	24 00	24 00	7 00	7 00	9 00	9 00	13 00	13 00	4 00	2 00	4 70	1 00	60 00	1060 20	133 35	2052 37	6 41	3	30	212	10
8. Bedford City	78 00	23 40	21 00	6 53	27 00	8 10	31 00	8 30	3 30		3 00	4 28	65 00		404 00	1805 22	6 33	2	31	250	7
9. Bedford Circuit	68 00	36 00	13 00	7 00	10 00	5 25	20 00	10 50	3 25	3 00		1 75	73 00	156 00	150 00	1481 00	2 59	7	65	450	10
10. North Bedford	21 00	17 00	7 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	10 00	4 00	3 00	2 00			20 00	143 00	42 00	654 00	1 83	5	31	200	
11. Bedford Springs	56 00	40 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	21 00	10 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	62 37	67 00	40 00	1016 12	1 73	7	40	360	32
12. Middle Bedford	31 00	15 00	9 00	8 00	9 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	2 00	1 00			12 15	55 25	50 00	569 31	1 02	5	54	279	7
13. West Bedford	35 00	10 96	11 00	4 40	12 00		17 00	3 50	2 00	1 00			25 00	23 83	52 61	633 49	1 01	5	43	355	
14. Staunton River	14 00	3 61	4 00	1 08	4 00	1 08	8 00	2 16	36	25	5 23		6 78		1 85	168 15	63	4	38	272	
15. West Campbell	40 00	18 40	13 00	3 00	14 00	3 00	20 00	5 00		1 00	3 40				175 00	966 60	1 83	6	65	460	10
16. Campbell	82 00	45 00	22 00	12 00	26 00	13 00	38 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	11 41	4 59	41 90	50 00	66 00	1267 75	1 87	7	48	350	
17. Concord	54 00	28 50	15 00	12 00	19 00	10 50	25 00	12 50	4 00	4 00	21 31	1 00	54 50	30 00	35 00	930 21	2 74	6	54	373	7
18. Appomattox	47 00	26 00	13 00	7 00	17 00	3 00	23 00	4 00	4 50	1 50	1 40		27 00		211 04	797 59	2 16	4	26	190	
19. West Charlotte	28 00	28 00	10 00	6 00	11 00	6 00	19 00	8 00		3 00	15 18	1 15	47 88		77 50	772 31	1 75	7	39	412	
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1170 00	881 37	333 00 342 00	255 26 249 06	387 00 387 00	248 28 239 66	513 00 513 00	255 11 304 39	41 21 115 03	63 77 99 67	150 31 96 42	81 03 31 66	2102 29 1386 28	5104 02 3796 54	7653 16 8810 03	37716 37 36440 27	4 65 4 31		767 774	6075 5843	156 242
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	SIS	Варт	risms.				MI	EMBE	RSHI	P OF 7	THE CHU	JRCH	•						TH G'ES		CHUR	СН	PROPER'	ry.
DA GWODA I GWA DGEG	Preachers			MEMI	3'RS.	l ers	ers ted	se.	se.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVI	E ST	a madition from the last	MEN					CI	HURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	Value of
	Local Pr	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Color'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certifi- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Ke- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expul- sions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property
1. Centenary	2	4	6	614	1	615	612	3		9	22	31	9	19			28	1	180	1	\$43000 00	1	\$2000 00	\$4000 00
2. Court Street	1	16	13	694		694	656	38		45	30	75	10	23	4		37	2	142	1	30000 00	2	8500 00	4000 00
3. Memorial	$_2$	20	1	459		459	468		9	21	. 13	34	7	31	5	•••••	43	2	168	1	18500 00	1	3500 00	1000 00
4. Trinity		1	18	116		116	136		20	1	4	5	1	19	5		25	1	42	1	2200 00			100 00
		16		134		134	111	23		7	23	30		4	3		7			2	1200 00			75 00
Providence		2	7	167		167	176		9	7	2	9	1	15	2		18	1	39	1	2000 00			775 00
7. Madison Station	2	14	1	320		320	250	70		23	65	88	2	12	4		18	1	50	8	2000 00	1	2000 00	200 00
8. Bedford City	2	8	2	285		285	324		39	9	12 .	21	2	51	7		60	1	43	1	8500 00			550 00
9. Bedford Circuit		12	5	572		572	619		47	16	18	34	13	64	4		81	2	90	7	4000 00	1	1500 00	500 00
10. North Bedford		24		357		357	431		74	28	8	36		105	5		110	3	60	4	3000 00			
11. Bedford Springs		28	5	589		589	627		38	25	7	32	11	57	2		70			7	5000 00	1	1000 00	250 00
12. Middle Bedford	2	7		557		557	554	3		18	7	25	7	10	5		22	1	13	5	2500 00	1	400 00	125 00
13. West Bedford	1	10	2	625		625	687		62	10	5	15	4	58	15	 	77	2	41	6	5000 00	1	1000 00	
14. Staunton River		15		266		266	260	6		16	1	17	3	4		4	11			4	1200 00			
15. West Campbell	1	17	3	528		528	542		14	17	11	28	3	38	1		42	6	220	6	4800 00	1	800 00	450 00
•	1	3	6	678		678	667	11		15	10	25	4	10			14	3	125	6	6000 00	1	1500 00	300 00
16. Campbell	i i	5	5	339		339	537		198	15	3	18	2	214			216	2	80	4	2500 00	1	2000 00	100 00
17. Concord	2	2	19	369	*****	369	374		5	4	12	16	3	6	12		21	, 2	30	4	2500 00	1	1000 00	
18. Appointtox		15	19	440		440	424	16		33	2	35	7	10	2		19	1	36	6	5000 00			185 00
19. West Charlotte			01	8109	1	8110	8455		345	319	255	574		750	76	4	919	31	1359	70	148900 00	13	25200 00	12610 00
T O DE LOS TOTAL	15 10	219 410	94 107	8454	1	8455	8338	117	0.10	616	243	859	74	597	69	2	742	18	958	69	139600 00	12	23200 00	11850 00
Increase Decrease	5	191	13	345		345				297	12	285	15	153	7	2	177	13	401	1	9300 00	1	2000 00	760 00

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DAGGODAT GHADGEG	NAMES OF	ING SES.	PRESIDING EI	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAI	M OF THE PAS	TOR.	DOM	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in Ch'chs.		in Ch'chs.		Raised by W. M. S	
Danville District	W. P. Wright, P. E.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$. \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
(Main Street		9 00	315 00	315 00	2750 00	2750 00		329 00	14 56	555 69	24 64	189 65	29 84
1. {Floyd Street	J. Lee Hunter		40 00	28 11	300 00	203 00	108 89	5 00		10 00			
2. Cabell Street and	E. T. Dadmun	26 06	50 00	50 00	800 00	800 00	***************************************	37 97		64 12		36 00	
Sunnyside, 3. Mt. Vernon	B. F. Lipscomb	5 63	180 00	180 00	1750 00	1750-00		100 00		175 00		126 73	58 60
4. Calvary and	W. T. Green and	3 91	125 00	125 00	1300 00	1488 00		94 92		160 31	***********	111 56	125 00
Riverside, 5. Pittsylvania	H. W. Dunkly, S. R. Drewry		60 00	56 50	400 00	376 10	27 40	25 00		27 50			
6. Chatham	J. B. Winn	2 33	75 00	75 00	625 00	625 00		10 00		35 00			
7. Cascade			75 00	67 26	580 00	525 51	62 23	25 00		37 00		/	. 9 33
8. North Pittsylvania			60 00	60 00	540 00	540 00		24 56		28 95		5 00	
9. Franklin			100 00	81 33	800 00	669 34	149 33	25 00		32 00		56 00	************
10. East Franklin		20 89	65 00	65 00	600 00	600 00		10 00	6 00	24 00	15 00	44 50	15 50
11. Middle Franklin Miss			15 00	7 89	148 00	77 91	77 20	3 85		6 52		***********	
12. West Franklin			35 00	35 00	205 00	205 00		24 25		10 00			
13. Henry			60 00	48 56	400 00	323 44	88 00	24 81		42 06	3 57	12 00	30 51
14. Martinsville	1		100 00	84 36	1000 00	874 89	140 75	15 00		10 00	1 64	28 57	16 31
15. Patrick			50 00	45 81	380 00	348 19	36 00	20 05		33 04		4 75	*************
16. Meadows of Dan			35 00	22 40	111 00	71 00	52 60	8 00		10 00			
17. South Boston and	F. M. Edwards		60 00	60 00	820 00	820 00		15 00		49 94			8 14
Houston, 18. Halifax			65 00	65 00	575 00	575 00		49 36	******	83 36			
19. East Halifax			35 00	35 00	210 00	215 93		8 50		15 00		15 62	9 75
iv. Past Hamax	Totals for 1897	141 87	1600 00	1507 22	14294 00	13838 31 12321 48	548 47 2102 97	855 27 1039 82	20 56 46 75	1409 49 1709 53	44 85 58 36	630 38 569 00	302 98 278 83
	Totals for 1896	. 122 98	1600 00	1354 55	14179 00	1516 83	- 4104 37	1000 02	40 70	1700 00	30 30	61 38	24 15
	Increase			152 67	15 00	1910 68	. 1554 50	184 55	26 19	300 04	13 51		

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		В	ENEVO	LENT	COLLE	ECTION	s.		1	MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTION	S.	Whole	er.	Su	NDA	у-Scн	o'LS
PASTORAL CHARGES.	COLLEC	RENCE CTIONS.	BISH FU.		EDUCAT FU	rional ND.		H EX-	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- school Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year	Average er Member.	ber.	icers and	ars.	Conversions
	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed	Paid.	Ass'ed	Paid.	Ger Conf Exp	An Conf Exp	Child	Soc	Sur scl Pur	Bui a Reps Chu	all c	for all Purposes.	The A	Number.	Office	Scholars.	Conv
Main Street	\$230 34	\$230 34	\$65 56	\$65 56	\$ 76 20	\$76 20	\$101 00	\$101 00	\$21 26	\$21 26	\$10 50	\$10 81	\$262 67	\$4312 13	\$7902 40	\$17261 51	\$35 66	1	43	471	5
1. {Floyd Street	29 25	5 00	8 34	5 00	9 68		12 83	5 00					29 76	48 64	87 04	426 55	5 76	1	12	75	50
2. Cabell Street and	36 56	36 56	10 42	10 42	12 09	12 09	16 03	16 03	3 37	3 38	10 00	3 12	158 55	313 50	104 00	1685 17	5 75	1	33	1130	
3. Mt. Vernon	131 63	131 63	37 47	30 00	43 54	35 00	57 71	35 00	5 00	5 00	6 27	15 00	139 93		2199 37	4998 16	14 49	1	31	262	10
4. Calvary and	91 41	91 41	26 02	26 02	31 24	31 24	40 08	40 08	8 44	8 44	2 00	15 35	389 07	1649 73	2757 02	7127 50	12 61	2	51	850	100
Riverside, 5. Pittsylvania	43 87	20 25	12 47	8 10	14 51	6 50	19 24	8 75	1 50	1 75	3 86	1 00	50 00	75 00	125 00	786 81	1 44	7	64	408	80
6. Chatham	54 48	15 00	15 61	8 00	10 15	5 00	24 05	5 00	2 78					420 00	70 00	1273 11	2 34	6	42	176	
7. Cascade	54 84	25 00	15 61	9 00	18 15	12 00	24 05	15 00	4 00	4 98	7 76	2 00	50 00	140 00	91 00	1024 84	2 58	9	50	525	20
8. North Pittsylvania	43 87	20 87	12 47	6 47	14 51	5 51	19 24	9 24	1 05	2 05		1 30	78 01	1	908 62	1711 63	4 24	9	62	551	20
9. Franklin	75 00	25 00	20 00	6 00	20 00	5 00	30 00	10 00	3 00	5 00		1 00		40 00	85 00	1046 67	1 97	7	80	620	75
10. East Franklin	47 53	30 00	13 53	6 00	15 72	6 00	20 84	7 00	2 00	2 00		1 00	50 61	33 03	185 45	1123 98	1 29	16	118	800	15
11. Middle Franklin Miss	10 79	3 62	3 13	1 06	3 63	1 18	4 80	1 16	34	34	•••••	1 66	•••••	350 00	15 00	470 53	2 14	3	12	135	
12. West Franklin	25 60	4 50	7 09	2 00	8 46		11 32	4 50					11 90	405 00	3 50	706 74	1 53	7	35	350	10
13. Henry	43 87	20 46	12 47	5 82	14 51	6 77	19 24	8 98	1 91	1 91			38 70	282 47	218 29	1072 16	2 64	10	39	550	12
14. Martinsville	73 13	20 00	20 81	6 00	24 19	7 00	32 06	7 00	3 00	3 00	5 07	1 00			301 40	1410 36	5 28	1	16	150	12
15. Patrick	36 56	13 40	10 41	3 90	12 09	4 45	16 03	5 85	2 40	2 05			50 00	40 00	25 00	600 64	1 55	10	65	500	
16. Meadows of Dan	25 60	4 00	7 29	2 50	8 46	56	11 22	6 00	1 00	1 00			14 00	308 63		450 19	1 40	5	33	318	12
17. South Boston and	43 87	36 59	12 47	9 35	14 51	9 66	19 24	8 31	2 00	1 00	2 20	3 25	52 00	250 00	90 00	1417 44	8 33	1	15	100	3
Houston, 18. Halifax	47 50	47 50	13 55	13 55	15 71	15 71	20 84	20 84	4 39	4 39	12 00	8 00	22 00	400 00	130 00	1469 10	3 14	4	35	200	50
19. East Halifax	25 60	8 00	7 29	2 75	8 46	3 00	11 22	4 00	45	45	35		29 00	150 00	242 50	741 39	2 15	4	27	170	
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1170 00 1170 00	789 13 743 22	333 00 342 00	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c }\hline 227 & 50 \\ 212 & 76 \\ \hline \end{array}$	387 00 387 00	242 87 219 04	513 00 513 00	318 74 280 00	67 89 98 80	68 00 89 89	60 01 76 17		1426 20 1367 49		15540 59 5882 46	46804 48 33847 07	5 78 4 30		863 867	8341 8604	474 559
Increase Decrease		45 91	9 00	14 74		1			30 91	21 89	16 16			1924 97	9658 13	12957 41	1 48	9	4	263	85

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	ch'r	DAFI	15115.	мемв	200	72 H	1				COMPAR				LOSS			1,66		СН	TURCHES.	PAF	RSONAGES	Value of
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Local Preach'rs.	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profes- sion of Faith.	Certifi- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths		-		Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
(Main Street	1	3	5	484		484	496		12	8	25	33	13	30	2		45	1	52	1	\$45000 00	1	\$5000 00	\$5000 00
1. Floyd Street		17		74		74	153		79	20	7	27	3	35	3	65	106	1	24	1	1600 00			
(35		293		293	238	55		50	32	82	1	21	5		27	1	72	1	3000 00			
2. Cabell Street and Sunnyside,	1	9	4	345		345	380		35	11	16	27	7	52	3		62	1	61	1	18000 00	1	4000 00	1500 00
3. Mt. Vernon	9	99	2	565		565	436	129		153	27	180	8	39	4		51	1	58	2	27500 00	1	5000 00	200 00
4. Calvary and Riverside,		41	1	544	1	545	506	39		49	1	50	4	1	6		11			8	5000 90			525 00
5. Pittsylvania		17		543		543	520	23		21	8	29	4	2			6	•••••		6	7500 00	1	800 00	125 00
6. Chatham		31	9	397	1	398	382	16		33	3	36	6	10	4		20	1	19	9	7700 00	1	800 00	215 00
7. Cascade		7	3	403	1	404	463		59	9	15	24	14	69	•••••		83			8	6800 00	1	800 00	300 00
8. North Pittsylvania	3			530		530	578		48	22	8	30	5	71	2		78			6	9000 00	1	2200 00	500 00
9. Franklin		15	1	870		870	876		6	27	2	29	2	33			35			5	5000 00	1	1000 00	100 00
10. East Franklin	1	18		220	••••	220		220		29	203	232	2	7	3		12			2	1415 00			51 65
11. Middle Franklin Miss		15			*****	460	420	40		40	45	85	9	34	2		45			7	4650 00			103 00
12. West Franklin	$\begin{vmatrix} 2 \end{vmatrix}$	21		460			382	28		10	38	48	2	16	2		20			6	5500 00		******	
13. Henry		11		404	$\begin{vmatrix} 2 \end{vmatrix}$	406		32		17	27	44	5	7			12	1	40	1	5000 00	1	2500 00	1000 00
14. Martinsville	3	8		269		269	237			23	7	30	5	15			20			7	5200 00			250 00
15. Patrick	1	18	4	384	3	387	377	10	24	5	5	10	3	22	9		34			5	2600 00			
16. Meadows of Dan	5	4		317	3	320	344			13	26	39	2	16	1		19	1	44	2	6000 00	1	2500 00	300 00
17. South Boston and Houston,		7	2	168	2	170	150	20			30	52	3	34	-		37	1	25	5	4500 00	1	1000 00	100 00
18. Halifax		11	1	468		468	453	15		22	6	18	5	5	•••••		10			3	3200 00			300 00
19. East Halifax		9		345		345	337	8		12		1105		519	46	65	733	9	395	86	174165 00	11	25600 00	10569 65
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	19 21	396 400	32 57	8083 7866	13 14	8096 7880	7880 7903	216	23	574 539	531 215	754	80	596	83	18	777	8	375	83	168965 00	11	26300 00	9650 00
Increase Decrease		4	25	217		216				35	316	351	23	77	37	47	44	1	20	3	5200 00		700 00	919 65

			SI	UPPORT OF T	HE MINISTR	LY.			MISS	SIONARY	COLLE	CTIONS.	
	NAMES OF	ING	PRESIDING E	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PASTO	OR.	DOME	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Pald.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S	Raised by R. B'ds
Farmville District	J. H. Rlddlck, P. E.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Farmville	T. McN. Simpson		209 00	209 00	1600 00	1600 00		120 00	32 43	210 00	. 50 00	98 60	43 04
2. Prince Edward	J. B. Askew		46 00	37 18	414 00	334 54	88 28	17 00		31 25		7 00	27 38
3. Prospect	Bascom Dey	12 00	102 00	97 96	775 00	743 63	35 41	20 00		30 00		33 60	29 14
4. Charlotte	A. B. Sharpe		47 00	47 00	458 00	458 00		30 00		58 00			2 00
5. West Buckingham	W. A. Tompkins	15 00	47 00	37 42	· 356 00	274 95	90 63	22 22		33 96			1 12
6. Buckingham	W. E. Grant		64 00	56 05	636 00	527 58	116 37	12 00		19 00			
7. Cumberland	W. W. Sawyer		98 00	89 50	722 00	654 00	76 50	25 00	********	75 00		13 00	6 00
8. Amella	E. V. Carson		85 00	82 00	680 00	650 00	33 00	28 00		29 00		38 00	18 60
9. Burkeville	J. L. Spencer		69 00	63 75	530 00	435 60	99 65	20 00		75 00		16 85	
10. Crewe	J. T. Routten		104 00	104 00	900 00	900 00		68 00		115 00	*************	65 00	85 76
II. Blackstone	J. M. Anderson		112 00	112 00	851 00	851 00		73 00		124 00		*****	6 00
12. Lunenburg	Jno. O. Moss		124 00	124 00	950 00	950 00		80 00		177 24		20 50	22 16
13. West Lunenburg	A. L. Franklin		24 00	22 79	231 00	221 46	10 75	5 10		8 40			
	TO CLATE and to be		89 00	89 00	630 00	630 00		30 00		60 00			
14. Mecklenburg15. North Mecklenburg			112 00	107 45	850 00	814 55	40 00	62 00		106 00			
200	W. E. Thompson			110 00	850 00	850 00		72 00	8 00	121 00	10 64	73 95	
16. Boydton	W. W. Royall		109 00	109 00	900 00	900 00		71 00		110 00	10 00		
17. Chase City	E. P. Parham		52 00	46 00	435 00	390 50	50 50	17 47	3 53	27 09	3 53	32 50	21 00
18. Clarksville	A. L. Carson		52 00	46 20	498 00	450 80	53 00	20 27		15 33	₩		
19. South of Dan	D II M. 11		70 00	53 25	500 00	344 44	172 31	18 14		15 86			
20. Hyco		263 98	1725 00	1643 55	13766 00	12981 05	886 40	811 20	43 96	1441 13	74 17	399 00	262 20
	Totals for 1897	144 63	1720 00	1528 26	13726 00	12348 86	1568 88	807 97	42 25	1307 46	78 49	355 24	276 33
	Increase Decrease	119 35	5 00	115 29	40 00	632 19	682 48	3 23	1 71	133 67	4 32	43 76	14 13

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		В	ENEVO	LENT	COLLE	CTIONS	S.		1	MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTIONS	8.	Whole	er.	Su		y-Sch	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	COLLEC		BISH FU:		EDUCAT FU	TIONAL ND	CHURO TENS'N		General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year for all	e Average per Member.	Number.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Cor	Con	Ch	Bibl	Na Sur	Bu Re Ch	Pu	Purposes.	The	NE	Office	Sch	Con
1. Farmville	\$130 00	\$137 00	\$37 00	\$37 00	\$43 00	\$43 00	\$57 00	\$57 00	\$23 00	\$12 00	\$12 31	\$15 00	\$247 20	\$ 76 75	\$994 36	\$ 4017 69	\$14 82	1	23	214	12
2. Prince Edward	32 00	20 00	9 00	4 50	11 00	5 50	14 00	7 00	4 00	1 50	7 11	3 63	12 81	22 17	79 50	622 07	1 69	4	38	200	12
3. Prospect	64 00	40 00	18 00	10 00	21 00	10 00	27 00	12 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	1 00	40 00	300 00	113 00	1507 33	2 59	7	60	388	10
4. Charlotte	29 00	29 00	8 00	8 00	10 00	10 00	13 00	13 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	74 50	33 00	282 85	1062 35	2 32	6	25	291	25
5. West Buckingham	30 00	22 59	8 00	8 00	10 00	8 18	13 00	10 11	3 64	2 26	3 46	3 33	17 00	5 00	41 20	509 44	1 14	6	36	220	
6. Buckingham	45 00	18 00	13 00	6 00	15 00	5 00	20 00	6 00	3 00	2 00		5 00	110 00	600 00	225 00	1594 63	2 72	5	50	275	25
7. Cumberland	62 00	40 00	17 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	27 00	8 00	3 00	5 00		2 75	50 00	75 00	200 00	1321 25	2 59	4	40	225	20
8. Amelia	51 00	23 00	15 00	6 30	17 00	6 00	23 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	8 40	1 00	68 00	261 00	90 00	1322 30	3 21	6	32	370	10
9. Burkeville	43 00	25 62	12 00	10 00	14 00		19 00				8 91	1 25	65 68	134 00		856 66	2 42	6	62	272	3
10. Crewe	66 00	87 05	19 00	19 00	22 00	22 00	29 00	29 00		6 00				718 50	431 58	2690 89	7 68	2	26	239	
11. Blackstone	71 00	71 00	20 00	20 00	23 00	23 00	29 00	29 00		6 00	17 00	9 00	69 32	248 00	189 30	1847 62	4 52	2	43	359	7
12. Lunenburg	77 00	77 00	22 00	22 00	26 00	26 00	34 00	34 00		7 00	12 30	2 00	56 89	84 50	21 00	1728 59	3 21	5	69	281	10
13. West Lunenburg	17 00	4 80	5 00	1 50	6 00	1 70	7 00	2 00	1 00	50			2 75	103 00		375 00	1 64	1	5	30	
14. Mecklenburg	55 00	36 67	16 00	8 00	18 00	9 00	24 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	2 85		31 77	102 00	22 00	1054 27	2 77	4	43	205	15
15. North Mecklenburg	67 00	61 00	20 00	17 00	23 00	20 00	30 00	27 00	7 00	6 00	10 00	1 00	40 00	400 00	100 00	1779 00	2 29	9	50	415	23
16. Boydton	69 00	69 00	20 00	20 00	23 00	23 00	30 00	30 00		7 00		••••••	17 00	27 00	110 00	1548 59	13 58	1	12	70	4
17. Chase City	68 00	68 00	19 00	19 00	22 00	22 00	30 00	30 00	14 00	6 00	13 00	6 65	95 00	50 00	324 00	1897 65	5 30	4	40	225	12
18. Clarksville	37 00	22 00	10 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	16 00	7 00	3 00	1 14	10 07	9 22	34 35	39 25	50 67	746 32	2 98	4	35	187	6
19. South of Dan	36 00	17 27	10 00	5 12	12 00	5 17	16 00	8 19	1 87	2 58	8 84	3 41	18 00	80 60	275 00	964 55	2 60	4	30	275	31
20. Hyco	48 00	20 00	14 00	4 50	16 00	5 00	21 00	6 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	3 50	53 50	25 00	75 00	671 69	1 51	5	40	270	
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1105 00 1105 00	889 00 836 42	314 00 323 00	240 92 227 86	366 00 366 00	259 55 228 36	484 00 484 00	332 30 293 98	82 51 66 37	79 98 104 47	128 25 106 43		1103 77 888 80	3384 17 2511 00	3624 46 3341 37	28117 89 25527 91	3 43 3 19	86 82	759 661	5011 4497	
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	ers	Варт	ISMS.				MH	EMBE	RSHI	P OF T	THE CHU	RCH							v'TH		CHUR	CH	PROPER	TY.
PASTORAL CHARGES.	reach			мемв	'RS.	ers ear.	oers ted	lse.	ise.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVE	ST		MEN			1,152		CH	HURCHES.	PA1	RSONAGES	Value of
TAGIOIMI OTTITUGES	Local Preachers	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Color'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certificate and Otherwise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Ke- mov'ls	With- dr'w ls	Expulsions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Farmville		12	4	271		271	262	9		19	5	24	1	13	1		15	1	43	1	\$12000 00	2	\$4000 00	\$ 750 00
2. Prince Edward		21		365	2	367	381		14	26	7	33	8	26	13		47			4	3650 00	1	1000 00	
3. Prospect	2	10		581		581	621		40	19	6	25	6	59			65			5	5100 00	1	1700 00	225 00
4. Charlotte		25	5	459		459	420	39		44	10	54	3	10	2		15	2	54	5	3450 00	*****		450 00
5. West Buckingham		24	2	444	1	445	465		20	25	13	38	6	36	16		58			6	3200 00			75 00
6. Buckingham		62	1	586		586	532	54		73	27	100	7	28	10	1	46			6	4000 00	1	300 00	200 00
7. Cumberland		13	1	510		510	488	22		30	5	35	2	11			13			5	9000 00	1	1000 00	
8. Amelia		34	14	411		411	344	67		34	55	89	3	13	6		22	2	58	5	4600 00	1	1000 00	200 00
9. Burkeville	1	1	1	351	2	353	379		26	5		5	2	24	5		31			6	6200 00			500 00
10. Crewe	1	2	5	350		350	331	19		8	2:2	30	5	6			11	1	80	2	4200 00	1	1500 00	1500 00
11. Blackstone		8	5	408		408	400	8		11	12	28	4	7	4		15	1	64	2	5000 00	1	2000 00	200 00
12. Lunenburg	3	5		538		538	515	23		24	8	32	7	2			9	1	21	4	3500 00	1	2000 00	200 00
13. West Lunenburg	1	5		229		229	211	18		20		20	2				2			6	2000 00			
		11	2	380		380	381		1	22	13	35	8	25	3		36			4	3800 00	1	1000 00	200 00
	2			777		777	760	17		47	2	49	5	25	2		32			8	7000 00	1	1000 00	200 00
		3		114		114	103	11		7	12	19	1	7			8	1	30	1	2500 00	1	2000 00	500 00
		14	4	358		358	358	 		23	11	34	3	16	15		31	1	40	4	3800 00	1	1000 00	100 00
18. Clarksville		5	1	250		250	245	5		18	11	29	2	18	4		24			4	3000 00	1	800 00	100 00
19. South of Dan	- 1	35	3 1	370		370	349	21		59	7	66	10	35			45			4	3000 00	1	1000 00	25 00
20. Hyeo	1	10	1	411		444	465		21	15	11	26	5	7	35		-17			3	3500 00	1	700 00	200 00
Totals for 1897	11 13	300 407	49 101	8196 8004	5 6	8201 8010	8010 8182	191	172	529 665	237 622	766 1287	90 90	368 550	116 56	1 47	575 743	10	390 283	85 82	92500 00 95850 00	17 17	22000 00 21050 00	5625 00 6315 00
Increase	2	107	52	192	1	191				136	385	521		182	60	46	168	4	107	3	3350 00		930 00	690 00

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DAGEO AL GUADGES	NAMES OF	VELING PENSES.	PRESIDING E	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAI	M OF THE PAST	ror.	DOM	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W. M. S	Raised by R. B'ds
Petersburg District.	T. H. Campbell, P.E	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Washington Street	W. E. Edwards		231 00	231 00	2300 00	2300 00		101 44	30 11	170 28	30 11	419 76	
2 Market Street	and H. M. Hope, R. T. Wilson		181 00	181 00	1800 00	1800 00		200 00		300 00		668 62	38 53
3. High Street	E. M. Peterson	29 45	151 00	151 00	1500 00	1500 00		63 30	13 00	125 00	25 36	81 85	35 88
4. Wesley	and G. W. Dyer, J. W. Stiff	6 65	81 00	81 00	900 00	900 00		33 60	12 00	50 40	18 00	22 15	22 00
5. Blandford	R. E. Barrett		30 00	30 00	300 00	300 00		12 00		9 00			
6. West Street	John Sewell		30 00	30 00	300 00	300 00		14 00	10 00	32 00	9 00		
7. Ettrick	McDaniel Rucker		72 00	72 00	725 00	725 00		22 77	13 00	11 00	24 13	17 30	
8. Matoaca	D. W. Reed	3 00	40 00	40 00	400 00	400 00		18 50		31 65			
9. Dinwiddie	C. W. Turner	5 20	67 00	59 77	675 00	605 27	76 96	20 00		60 27 ·		8 00	20 00
10. East Dinwiddie	C. H. Green	11 13	65 00	51 00	650 00	550 00	114 00	24 00		37 73	7 27		
11. West Dinwiddie	W. P. Jordan	20 00	60 00	60 00	600 00	600 00		30 50		50 00		9 15	36 68
12. Nottoway	C. W. Cain		50 00	45 53	500 00	455 32	49 15	30 00		42 00			6 00
13. Prince George	J. B. DeBerry		66 00	66 00	660 00	660 00		50 00		80 00		38 28	22 34
14. Wakefield	J. T. Moore	6 10	62 00	62 00	600 00	600 00		14 00		74 00		************	37 62
15. Sussex	J. E. R. Riddick	10 00	65 00	65 00	675 00	675 00		12 00		88 00			34 38
16. Greensville			65 00	58 01	770 00	699 13	77 86	5 00		7 00	5 00		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
17. South Brunswick		2 75	75 00	65 11	750 00	651 16	108 73	40 80		69 00			
18. Brunswick			89 00	73 22	980 00	861 40	134 38	40 00		91 50	5 50	12 00	10 00
19. West Brunswick	J. W. Nicholson		70 00	70 00	700 00	700 00		10 50	***********	44 00			20 00
20. Surry			45 00	38 00	455 00	383 00	79 00	8 00		15 00		•••••	
	Totals for 1897	94 28	1595 00 1606 00	1529 64 1530 81	16240 00 16325 00	15665 28 15588 25	640 08 805 94	750 41 812 09	78 11 70 88	1387 83 1356 12	124 37 101 02	1277 11 693 74	283 43 268 49
	Increase		11 00	1 17	85 00	77 03	165 86	161 68	7 23	31 71	23 35	583 37	14 94

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	1	Е	BENEVO	OLENT	COLLE	CTION	s.			MISCI	ELLA	NEOUS	s coli	ECTION	s.	Whole	e oer.	Su		Y-SCH	
PASTORAL CHARGES.		CRENCE CTIONS.	BISH	IOP'S ND.	EDUCAT FU			CH EX-	General Conference Expenses.	ual rence nses.	ren's	le ety.	lay- ool oses.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For All Other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year	Verage Member.	ber.	icers and	lars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Gené Confe Expe	Annual Conference Expenses.	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Buildi and Repair Church	FC All C Purp	for al. Purposes.	The A	Number.	Office	Scl	_
1. Washington Street	\$178.00	\$178 00	\$51 00	\$51 00	\$59 00	\$59 00	\$78 00	\$78 00	\$	\$16 00	\$14 22	\$ 1 00	\$295 23	\$2617 78	\$1451 27	\$8047 20	\$13 37	1	48	338	
2. Market Street	139 00	139 00	40 00	40 00	46 00	46 00	61 00	61 00		13 00	17 41	14 40	358 67	***********	1391 57	5269 20	12 19	1	39	222	20
3. High Street	116 00	94 00	33 00	25 00	38 00	28 00	51 00	38 00	5 00	4 17		1 00	252 09	3064 41	711 56	6248 07	10 57	1	39	394	7.
4. Wesley	62 00	40 00	18 00	14 00	20 00	10 00	27 00	7 80	4 00	3 00	6 00	1 00	128 68	102 00	274 00	1736 28	6 38	1	21	152	1
5. Blandford	23 00	8 00	6 00	3 00	7 00	2 00	10 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		85 02	**********	119 98	525 00	3 83	1	12	123	1
6. West Street	23 00	10 00	7 00	3 00	8 00	4 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	2 00		1 00	151 78	550 00	123 72	1250 50	6 25	1	26	200	2
7. Ettrlek	56 00	28 00	16 00	8 00	18 00	8 05	24 00	12 00		2 00	4 02	1 56	151 85	59 50	255 07	1415 25	5 17	1	30	250	2
8. Matoaca	31 00	18 00	9 00	5 00	10 00	5 80	14 00	8 00	2 30	1 75			83 72	34 75	174 15	826 62	3 62	1	25	150	
9. Dinwiddie	53 00	50 00	15 00	15 00	17 00	8 00	23 00	10 00	6 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	40 00	180 00	.30 00	1136 51	2 21	7		360	3
10. East Dinwiddie	50 00	23 00	14 00	6 00	17 00	7 00	22 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	13 00	10 00	29 80	44 00	254 52	1083 45	2 12	()	64	321	1
11. West Dinwiddie	46 00	40 00	13 00	9 50	15 00	9 00	20 00	9 00	7 00		3 47	3 00	88 04	77 00	93 32	1145 66	2 81	5		240	
12. Nottoway	38 00	30 00	11 00	6 00	13 00	7 00	17 00	9 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	60 00	10 00	131 00	847 85	2 37	6		255	
13. Prince George	51 00	51 00	15 00	15 00	17 00	17 00	22 00	22 00	8 00	5 00	50 67	5 00	187 35	182 30	200 72	1660-66	3 92	7	64	281	
14. Wakefleld	48 00	31 00	14 00	12 00	17 00	11 00	21 00	8 00	3 00	3 00	9 50	4 50	112 22	143 75	138 40	1270 09	5 16	-1	36	215	
15. Sussex	54 00	30 00	15 00	10 00	18 00	5 00	24 00	5 00	3 00	2 00		5 00	60 00	200 00	100 00	1304 38	2 16	9	60	220	100
16. Greensville	21 00	5 00	14 00	1 25	17 00	1 25	22 00	1 25	70	50	2 57		57 00	95 00	150 00	1088 66	3 86	6	32	310	2
17. South Brunswick	58 00	38 85	16 00	10 75	19 00	12 75	26 00	17 50	2 00	3 35			30 00	850 00		1794 02	2 30	7	30	425	10
18. Brunswick	69 00	50 00	20 00	12 00	23 00	15 00	30 00	18 00			18 16	2 00	36 71	91 74	78 59	1415 82	1 93	7	38	230	17
19. West Brunswick	51 00	51 00	15 00	10 00	18 00	5 00	24 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	65 00	200 00	62 00	1255 50	2 16	5	28	300	10
20. Surry	35 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	11 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	3 36	64	12 30	1210 00	60 00	1760 30	6 40	2		75	
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PETERSBURG DISTRICT—CONTINUED.

	rs.	Варт	ISMS.				ME	EMBE	RSHI	POF	THE CHU	JRCH	•						V'TH G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER'	ry.
PASTORAL CHARGES.	reach,			MEMI	3'RS	ers ear.	tal bers rted Tear.	ise.	rse.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVI	E ST.]	LOSS			13.63		CH	TURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	Value of
	Local Preach'rs.	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Member Reported last Year	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profes- sion of Faith.	Certtfi- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expul-stons.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Washington Street	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	1	602		602	606		4	14	6	20	10	13	1		24	1	65	1	\$30000 00	1	\$5000 00	\$ 3000 00
2. Market Street	2	11	1	432		432	410	22		22	17	39	9	7	1		17			1	20000 00	1	3000 00	4500 00
3. High Street	1			591		591	504	87		87	19	106	4	15			19	1	103	1	12000 00	1	3000 00	1600 00
4. Wesley		1	2	272		272	266	6		16	12	28	5	15	2		22	1	40	1	5000 00	1	1000 00	1000 CO
5. Blandford		5	1	137		137	127	10		10	3	13	2	1			3			1	2000 00			400 00
6. West Street		23	5	200		200	145	55		37	25	62	4		3		7			1	1000 00			750 00
7. Ettrick	1	17		274		274	290		16	23		23	5	29	5		39			1	2000 00	1	1000 00	500 00
8. Matoaca		22	2	228	ļ	228	193	35		34	5	39	2	2			4	1	50	1	1800 00			300 00
9. Dinwiddie		15	1	513		513	499	14		23	3	26	7	4	1		12	1	40	7	6000 00	1	1000 00	250 00
10. East Dinwiddie		9	6	510		510	627		117	37	4	41	2	151	5		158	1	35	6	4200 00	1	1000 00	600 00
11. West Dinwiddie		19	2	406	1	407	428		21	25	5	30	1	42	8		51			6	6500 00	1	800 00	475 00
12. Nottoway		6	5	356	1	357	456		99	14	4	18	7	95	15		117			5	3300 00	1	900 00	400 00
13. Prince George		2	1	423		423	456		33	4	12	16	8	12	29		49			7	5000 00	1	1500 00	650 00
14. Wakefield		2		246		246	240	6		8	6	14	3	2	3		8			4	5000 00	1	1500 00	600 00
15. Sussex		60	10	601	1	602	568	34		136	6	142	4	104			108			9	7000 00	1	1200 00	200 00
16. Greensville	- 4	26	3	324		324	310	14		30	4	34	6	14			20			6	4000 00	1	1250 00	150 00
17. South Brunswick		10	2	778		778	753	25		25	6	31	4	2			6			7	5000 00	1	1000 00	300 00
18. Brunswick		16	24	731		731	728	3		33	9	42	12	12	15		39	1	25	7	6200 00	1	1200 00	200 00
19. West Brunswick	2	12	15	581		581	566	15		18	2	20	3	2			5			4	4000 00	1	1000 00	300 00
20. Surry			4	275		275	279		4	3	1	4	7	1			8			3	2100 00			
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	8 10	258 225	85 122	8480 8448	3 3	8483 8451	8451 7914	32 537		599 406	149 259	748 665	105 104	523 646	88 94		716 814	7 6	358 518	79 80	132100 00 132000 00	16 15	25350 00 24350 00	16175 00 15925 00
Increase	2	33	37	32		32				193	110	83	1	123	6		128	1	160		100 00	1	1000 00	150 00

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PAGMODAL GHADGEG	NAMES OF	ING SES.	PRESIDING EI	DER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PASTO	R.	DOM	ESTIC.		FORI	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S.	Raised by R. B'ds
Portsmouth District	J. H. Amiss, P. E	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Monumental	L. B. Betty		204 00	204 00	2200 00	2200 00		181 00		198 25		317 42	58 36
2. Central	Geo. H. Ray		139 00	139 00	1500 00	1500 00		51 00		99 00			
3. Wright Memorlal	J. T. Bosman		130 00	130 00	1400 00	1400 00		30 50		68 80			
4. Owens Memorial	R. T. Waterfield	13 00	28 00	28 00	600 00	600 00		23 31		38 00			
5. Park View	W. R. Proctor		56 00	56 00	900 00	900 00		44 00		84 00			36 25
6. Norfolk Circuit	R. B. Beadles		63 00	63 00	900 00	900 00		57 00		108 00			33 35
7. Churchland and	R. A. Compton	30 42	106 00	62 00	1000 00	581 00	463 00	24 50	10 48	30 00	8 00	16 45	11 40
West Norfolk. 8. Suffolk	H. C. Cheatham		148 00	131 00	1600 00	1413 00	204 00	133 00		174 00	47 00	200 00	32 46
9. East Suffolk and	D. B. Austln		18 00	18 00	250 00	250 00		10 20		13 50			18 20
Magnolia.	J. A. Thomas	3 00	48 00	44 63	642 00	610 00	35 37	18 00		27 85			
11. Ebenezer	G. F. Greene		40 00	40 00	575 00	575 00		15 00		15 00			12 00
12. Isle of Wight	C. H. McGhee		87 00	87 00	935 00	935 00		25 00		45 00			10 20
13. Smithfield	V. W. Bargamin	10 00	56 00	56 00	800 00	800 00		18 95		27 25		53 09	32 88
14. Benns	R. S. Baughn		48 00	37 94	652 00	549 06	113 00	31 00		41 00			6 18
15. Newsoms	N. B. Foushee		69 00	69 00	775 00	775_00		40 00		67 00			11 50
16. Southampton	C. C. Wertenbaker,		87 88	83 80	900 00	956 64		72 62		104 95	23 82		43 35
17. Boykins	M. S. Colonna—		56 00	56 00	800 00	800 00		45 20		84 00			31 70
18. Whalcyville and	F. G. Davls	4 25	42 00	36 05	484 00	423 57	66 38	30 00		50 00			
Somerton. 19. Hampton	J. T. Whitley	50 00	189 00	139 00	1500 00	1500 00		87 00	46 26	65 00	100 00	147 30	31 00
20. West End	G. H. Lambeth		35 00	35 00	600 00	610 00		32 00		65 83	32 21		
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	110 67 75 35	1599 88 1652 00	1515 42 1560 09	19013 00 19703 00	18278 27 18885 28	819 19 909 63	919 28 876 34	56 74 55 31	1406 43 1355 46	211 03 246 48	734 26 571 89	368 83 361 56
	Increase Decrease	35 32	52 12	44 67	690 00	607 01	90 44	42 94	1 43	50 97	35 45	162 37	7 27

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		B	ENEVO	LENT	COLLE	CTIONS	S.			MISCE	ELLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTIONS	S.	Whole	er.	Su	NDA	y-Sch	o'LS
PASTORAL CHARGES.	CONFE		BISH	iop's	EDUCAT		CHURC	CH EX- FUND.			02		1 .	>0.:	1	Amount Raised during the Year	verage Member.	ber.	fficers and Teachers.	ars.	Conversions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conference Expenses	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	for all Purposes.	The A.	Number.	Office	Scholars.	Conve
1. Monumental	\$174 00	\$175 50	\$50 00	\$32 50	\$57 00	\$37 05	\$76 00	\$49 40	\$	\$11 05	\$11 00	\$20 50	\$368 36	\$ 62 78	\$3344 48	\$7271 65	\$10 87	1	46	354	10
2. Central	119 00	93 90	33 00	23 40	39 00	20 60	52 00	36 50	10 00	7 80	9 20	4 75	343 81	124 10	1143 02	3606 08	6 84	1	38	275	5
3. Wright Memorial	110 00	91 00	31 00	31 00	36 00	25 00	48 00	33 00	8 00	7 00	3 24	2 00	267 41	195 80	602 04	2894 79	6 89	2	55	326	34
4. Owens Memorial	33 00	22 44	9 00	6 12	11 00	7 45	14 00	9 50	4 00	1 00	4 02		55 44	525 11	344 61	1682 00	10 99	1	10	126	
5. Park View	48 00	48 00	14 00	14 00	16 00	16 00	21 00	21 00		5 00	12 50	3 00	208 70	200 00	480 95	2129 40	13 65	1	32	224	3
6. Norfolk Circuit	55 00	55 00	15 00	15 00	18 00	18 00	24 00	24 00	8 00	5 00	15 00	2 00	106 14	296 00	187 51	1893 00	6 71	5	43	253	26
7. Churchland and	89 00	25 00	25 00	10 50	29 00	6 00	39 00	8 00	4 00	2 00	16 32	6 55	46 50	267 00	131 79	1297 91	9 54	2	15	132	
West Norfolk 8. Suffolk	126 00	126 00	36 00	36 00	42 00	42 00	55 00	55 00	11 00	12 00	20 00	13 00	176 44	298 00	1391 48	4311 38	9 62	1	27	258	
9. East Suffolk and	15 00	7 50	4 00	2 00	5 00	2 50	7 00	3 50	1 00	2 00	4 25	2 60	32 84	89 51	87 32	544 92	4 25	2	19	134	
Magnolia 10. Windsor	41 00	20 00	12 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	18 00	8 00	1 00	2 00	17 99	4 01	111 50	182 07	110 50	1170 55	5 00	4	31	183	9
	34 00	13 00	10 00	3 00	11 00	3 15	15 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 25	43 91	151 35	61 95	944 61	8 14	1	17	106	
11. Ebenezer	75 00	27 00	22 00	7 00	26 00	8 00	33 00	11 00	3 00	2 00	10 00		33 00	82 60	145 00	1430 20	3 13	3	25	152	
12. Isle of Wight		32 25	14 00	9 25	17 00	5 25	21 00	8 75	3 25	3 25	7 31		74 42	2545 45	265 70	3953 05	20 17	1	23	151	14
13. Smithfield	48 00			8 00	14 00	8 00	18 00	10 00	4 00		10 36	5 00		133 50	252 60	1204 89	4 12	3	50	242	12
14. Benns	41 00	33 00	12 00		20 00	14 00	27 00	15 00	3 00	4 00	16 00	5 00		181 00	18 07	1371 58	1 90	6	70	398	30
15. Newsoms	60 00	45 00	18 00	15 50		19 00	30 70	26 00	1 00	3 12	9 80	5 00		182 53	157 83	1920 04	3 66	7	73	456	
16. Southampton	69 95	69 95	19 00	19 94	23 15			17 00	4 25	2 00	5 55		35 00	1400 00	100 00	2646 70	5 93	7	56	400	8
17. Boykins	48 00	40 00	14 00	14 00	16 00	12 00	21 00		1	3 00	8 00	1	30 30		40 00	688 17	2 69	2	19	124	10
18. Whaleyville and Somerton	36 00	31 00	9 00	9 00	12 00	10 00	16 00	13 00	10.00				160 67	108 05	265 29	2879 57	8 80	1	26	216	15
19. Hampton	113 00	100 00	32 00	32 00	37 00	30 00	50 00	40 00	13 00	7 00	19 00				1236 64	2405 09	11 18	1	24	175	16
20. West End	31 00	32 00	9 00	9 00	10 00	10 00	13 00	13 00	8 00	3 00	10 00	01 (0		7024 25	10366 78	46263 58	6 90		699	4685	192
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1365 00 1365 00	1087 54 1049 92	389 00 399 00	302 21 310 35	451 00 451 00	299 00 297 40	599 00 599 00	405 65 373 90	88 50 99 01	84 22 125 22	211 54 154 49		2711 30 1913 19	6236 80	9313 00	43912 01	6 62	54	720	4735	175
l nerease Decrease						1 60		31 75		41 00			798 11		1053 78	2351 57	28	2	21	50	17

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	lers	BAP	risms.				МІ	EMBE	RSHI	P OF '	THE CHU	JRCH							V'TH G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER'	TY.
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Preachers			MEMI	B'RS.	ul oers ear.	ul vers ted ear.	rse.	ıse.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVI	e st.		MEN'			- DEA		CI	HURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	Value of
	Local P	Adults.	Infants.	White	Color'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Profession of Faith.	Certificate and Otherwise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expulsions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Monumental	1	8	9	669		669	680		11	15	11	26	10	12	15		37	1	162	2	\$45000 00	1	\$4000 00	\$ 3000 00
2. Central	1	3	5	527		527	522	5		11	3	14	4	5			9	2	300	1	14500 00	1	3500 00	2000 00
3. Wright Memorlal		16	• 46	420		420	415	5		40	2	42	4	25	8		37	1	131	2	21900 00	1	1250 00	1300 00
4. Owens Memorial	1	3	1	153		153	143	10		7	8	15	1	2	2		5	1	75	1	10000 00			300 00
5. Park View		2	4	156		156	132	24		5	23	28	1	3			4	1	70	1	5500 00			1000 00
6. Norfolk Circuit		13	3	282		282	245	37		39	18	57	7	11	2		20			5	7500 00	1	1600 00	540 00
		1	5	136		136	136			1	9	10	1	8	1		10	1	21	2	5000 00	1	1100 00	450 00
8. Suffolk		13	6	448		448	443	5		26	11	37	5	23	4		32	2	107	1	15000 00	1	3000 00	2000 00
		3		128		128	125	3		4	4	8		2	3		5	1	25	2	3000 00	1	1000 00	300 00
Magnolia 10. Windsor		17		234		234	214	20		22	5	27	1	6			7			4	5500 00	1	1200 00	250 00
11. Ebenezer		6		116		116	112	4		4		4	•••••					1	40	1	3000 00	1	1250 00	200 00
12. Isle of Wight		24	5	457		457	424	33		36	5	41	3	5			8			4	9000 00	1	2000 00	300 00
13. Smithfield		16	1	196		196	180	16		24	6	30	2	9	3		14	1	42	1	3000 00	1	2500 00	************
14. Benns	1	10	20	292		292	289	3		16	2	18	4	5	6		15	1	25	3	3500 00	1	1250 00	400 00
15. Newsoms		48	2	720	1	721	717	4		53	16	69	15	50			65			5	5600 00	1	1400 00	325 00
16. Southampton		5	4	524		524	525		1	9	15	24	10	9	6	•••••	25	3	135	6	9200 00	1	1500 00	450 00
17. Boykins		15		446		446	466		20	18	8	26		46	•••••	•••••	46			5	5000 00	1	1400 00	400 00
18. Whaleyville and		2	1	256		256	256			6		6	3		3		6			2	2500 00			175 00
19. Hampton		18	16	329		329	405		76	39	31	70	4	142	•••••		146	1	71	1	6000 00	1	2000 00	
20. West End		22	5	215		215		215		90	147	237	4	17	1		22	1	104	1	2500 00			500 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	4 5	245 203	133 121	6704 6600	1 31	6705 6631	6631 6614	74 17		465 392	324 176	789 568		380 409	54 44		513 551	19 13	1308 814	50 52	182200 00 187100 00	16 17	29950 00 30350 00	13890 00 13825 00
Increase Decrease	1	42	12	104	30	74				73	148	221	15	29	10		38	6	494	2	4900 00	1	400 00	65 00

			SU	JPPORT OF T	THE MINISTE	RY.		<u> </u>	MISS	SIONARI	COLLE	CITONS.	
	NAMES OF	ES.	PRESIDING EL	DER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PASTO	OR.	DOME	STIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in		Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised ln S.Sch's	Raised by W.M.S	Raised by R. B'ds
Norfolk District	J. P. Garland, P. E.		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$
1. Cumberland Street	W. H. Atwill		238 00	238 00	2000 00	2000 00		145 00	30 00	223 67	51 33	95 75	17 85
	W. J. Young		370 00	370 00	3000 00	3000 00		273 50	31 50	574 03		282 71	112 87
2. Epworth	W. H. Edwards		125 00	125 00	1620 00	1620 00		103 00		174 00		45 00	
3. Centenary			100.00	120 00	1600 00	1600 00		99 00		229 90		49 49	44 00
4. Queen Street	J. W. Moore			116 00	1400 00	1400 00		30 00		100 00		119 00	15 00
5. McKendree	R. H. Bennett		116 00			1200 00		44 00		70 00		8 00	
6. Lekies Memorial	H. E. Johnson	16 00	50 00	50 00	1200 00	660 00		20 00		34 00		43 00	10 34
7. Trinity	E. A. Potts		42 00	42 00	660 00			5 00		8 00			
8. Huntersville	Supplied by R. Webb.		6 00	6 00	500 00	500 00		1		105 00		119 00	33 00
9. Chestnut St.—Berkley	R. M. Chandler		120 00	120 00	1500 00	1500 00		52 00					
10. Liberty St.— "	J. G. Lennon		40 00	40 00	500 00	500 00		19 00		20 00			
11. South Norfolk	C. D. Crawley		106 00	100 29	1100 00	1046 36	59 35	66 38		129 00_			*************
12. East Norfolk	J. D. Hank		95 00	95 00	1100 00	1100 00		36 00		60 00		56 22	10 00
13. Oaklette & Gilmerton	•		30 00	30 00	470 00	470 00		12 00		20 00			
	W. G. Boggs	1	50 00	50 00	900 00	900 00		13 00		22 00			14 20
14. Lambert's Point			35 00	35 00	600 00	600 00	1	18 00		24 00			14 76
15. Haygood and Lynnhaven,	A. A. Jones			95 00	950 00	950 00		100 00		250 00		15 00	16 00
16. Princess Anne	Geo. H. Spooner	30 00	95 00		1000 00	1000 00		75 00		150 00			23 11
17. South Princess Anne,	J. S. Wallace		122 00	122 00				10 00	8 00	16 00	8 00		9 80
18. Fox Hill	W. E. Allen	22 00	40 00	40 00	600 00	600 00			69 50	2209 60	59 33	833 17	320 93
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	109 75 93 53	1800 00 1800 00	1794 29 1766 00	20700 00 20165 00	20646 36 19821 70	59 35 377 30	1120 88 1069 17	91 20	2034 82	89 48	801 59	399 30
	Increase			28 29	535 00	824 66	317 95	51 71	21.70	174 78	30 15	31 58	21 63

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			ENEV	OLENT	COLLE	CCTION	s.			MISCE	LLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTION	īs.	Whole	ber.	SU		-Sch	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	COLLE	RENCE CTIONS.	BISH	op's	EDUCAT	TIONAL				1 0					1	Amount Raised during the Year	verage r Member.	ber.	Officers and Teachers.	ars.	versions
PASIONAL CHARGES.	Ass'ed.	Pald.	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed.	Paid.	Ass'ed	Paid.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conferenc Expenses	Children's Day.	Bible Society	Sunday- school Purposes.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For all other Purposes.	for all Purposes.	The Av	Number.	Office		Conv
n 1 1 - 1 Chunch	\$189 00	\$189 00	\$50 00	\$50 00	\$60 00	\$60 00	\$ 70 00	\$ 70 00	\$25 00	\$15 00	\$11 50	\$	\$206 21	\$ 131 76	\$2215 73	\$ 5775 80	\$ 8 88	1	41	325	
1. Oumsonada vita			84 00	84 00	97 00	97 00	129 00	129 00		27 00	11 03	36 00	504 85	9744 67	6572 66	22144 82	29 72	1	52	321	20
2. Epworth	294 00	294 00			33 00	33 00	44 00	44 00		0.00	9 00	14 00	173 70	689 01	1652 15	4826 61	11 35	1	27	261	
3. Centenary	99 00	99 00	28 00	28 00						0.00	16 23	1 00		40 00	1301 09	3870 11	6 43	1	35	364	28
4. Queen Street	95 00	95 00	27 00	27 00	32 00	32 00	42 00	42 00				2 00		1300 00		4156 00	7 85	1	41	283	7
5. McKendree	92 00	92 00	26 00	26 00	30 00	30 00	40 00	40 00		8 00	8 00			1743 00		3987 00	16 89	1	24	204	7
6. Lekies Memorial	40 00	40 00	11 00	11 00	13 00	13 00	17 00	17 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	5 00		1745 00	508 76	1463 88	7 79	1	25	162	5
7. Trinity	33 00	19 50	10 00	6 00	11 00	6 00	15 00	9 00	4 00	2 00	3 30		95 98			925 29	14 23	1	15	91	
8. Huntersville	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00				69 53	100 25			8 56	1	35	220	21
9. Chestnut St.—Berkley	95 00	95 00	27 00	27 00	31 00	31 00	42 00	42 00		9 00	2 00	1 00	144 00	600 00		3580 00					
10. Liberty St.— "	31 00	15 00	9 00	4 76	10 00	5 50 -	14 00	6 55	2 00	2 50	3 00	2 00	70 55	171 00	98 18	960 04	7 87		17	110	*****
11. South Norfolk	84 00	64 00	24 00	20 00	28 00	20 00	37 00	20 00	6 00	8 00	15 00	2 50	112 30	115 72	318 29	2043 84	3 32	8	96	505	
12. East Norfolk	76 00	35 00	21 00	18 00	25 00	20 00	25 00	20 00	7 50	5 00	13 35	2 00	141 70	235 66	200 00	2055 43	12 84	2	35	130	4
	24 00	12 00	7 00	7 00	8 00	4 00	11 00	6 00		2 00	10 47		53 94	75 00	312 00	1032 41	12 29	2	24	100	6
13. Oaklette & Gllmerton	40 00	20 00	11 00	5 00	13 00	5 00	17 00	6 00	1 00	2 00	3 20		71 30	2165 00	149 62	3427 32	27 85	1	15	110	3
14. Lambert's Point		1	8 00	8 00	9 00	4 00	12 00	5 00	2 00	3 08	7 46	1 00	50 00	314 25	29 00	1144 55		2	17	105	17
15. Haygood and Lynnhaven,	28 00	14 00			25 00	25 00	33 00	33 00	3 00	7 00	23 00	5 00	77 00	130 00	140 00	1997 00	3 23	5	71	350	15
16. Princess Anne	76 00	76 00	22 00	22 00						9 00	38 75	11 25	293 05	 86-68	212 91	2167 01	2 67	8	154	755	30
17. South Princess Anne,	97 00	76 00	28 00	20 00	32 00	16 00	42 00	28 26	5 00					272 08		1225 72	6 77	1	27	260	
18. Fox Hill	32 00	30 00	9 00	7 50	10 00	7 00	14 00	7 50	3 00	3 00	11 00	1 50		17914 08		66782 83	9 97	39	751	4656	163
	1430 00 1430 00	1270 50 1276 73	407 00 407 00	$372 26 \\ 367 63$	473 00 473 00	410 50 385 35	627 00 627 00	527 31 484 88	62 50 174 42	124 58 163 26	191 29 128 62	59 76	2585 85 2519 68	23712 74	13400 70	68840 56	10 72		688	4389	172
Totals for 1896 Increase Decrease		0.00		4 68		25 15		42 43	111 92		62 67	24 49	66 17	5798 66	2675 20	2057 73	75	1	63	267	9

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	v2	BAPT	ISMS.	1			ME	MBE	RSHI	P OF T	THE CHU	JRCH	•					EPW	'TH G'ES		CHUR	CH	PROPER	ry.
	Preach'rs.			меми	r'RS	w si	r.	a°	se.		COMPAR	ATIVI	ST		IENT			LEA	1	CF	URCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	Value of
PASTORAL OHARGES.	Local Pres	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decreas	Profession of Faith.	Certtff- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls			Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property
1. Cumberland Street	2		10	650		650	648	2		1	26	27	6	19			25	1	200	1	\$ 30000 00	1	\$5000 00	\$1100 00
2. Epworth	1	6	16	745		745	691	54		45	67	112	7	48	3		58	2	232	1	130000 00	1	7000 00	
3. Centenary		2	11	425		425	421	4		9	10	19	3	10	2		15	1	176	1	32000 00			500 00
4. Queen Street		26	16	601	1	602	600	2		37	34	71	8	59	2		69	2	200	1	25000 00			1500 00
5. McKendree	1	4	9	529		529	515	14		15	35	50	1	34	1		36	1	105	1	25000 00			500 00
6. Lekies Memorial		6	4	236		236	210	26		22	25	47	1	17	3		21	2	134	1	14000 00	1	2800 00	850 00
7. Trinity	1	5	2	188		188	188			11	12	23	1	20	2		23	1	59	1	4000 00			
8. Huntersville	1	3	8	65		65	49	16		10	7	17	1		•••••		1	1	29	1	2500 00			
	1	6	14	418		418	422		4	32	19	51	3	51	1		55	2	125	1	11000 00	1	3500 00	800 00
			3	122		122	149		27		4	4	1	7		23	31	1	10	1	4000 00			250 00
	1	32	17	616		616	596	20		58	10	68	9	31	5	3	48			7	8000 00	1	1000 00	
1. South Norfolk			11	160		160	159	1		5	2	7	2	4			6	1	86	2	8500 00	1	2500 00	700 00
2. East Norfolk	1		-31	84		84	76	8		9	4	13	2	3			5	1	20	2	3000 00			350 00
3. Oaklette & Gilmerton.		3		123		123	131		8	6	6	12		16	4		20	1	43	1	8000 00	1	2000 00	100 00
4. Lambert's Point		5	6 .			121	110	11	ļ	19	4	23		6	6		12			2	3500 00			1100 00
Lynnhaven,		18	1	121				11		56	7	63	4	46	2		52	2	105	4	8800 00	1	1000 00	750 00
16. Princess Anne	2	24	5	618		618	607		33	33	3	36	8	46	15		69			5	5500 00	1	2000 00	500 00
17. South Princess Anne,	1	14	14	813		813	846			1	2	3	3	18	3		24			1	2000 00	1	1000 00	200 00
l8. Fox Hill		1	5	181		181	202		21	369	277	646		435	49	26	570		1524	34	324800 00	10	27800 00	9200 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	10 10	155 146	145 209	6695 6417	1 1	6696 6418	6418 6337	76 81		399	271	670	78	427	80	4	589	15	1304	35	317300 00	8	24100 00	9650 00
Increase Decrease		9	64	278		278				30	6	24	18	8	31	22	19	4	220	<u>-</u> -	7500 00	2	3700 00	450 00

			SU	JPPORT OF T	HE MINISTR	Υ.		1	MIS	SIONAR	Y COLLE	CTIONS.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	NAMES OF	SES.	PRESIDING EI	LDER'S CLAIM.	CLAIN	OF THE PAS	TOR.	DOM	ESTIC.		FOR	EIGN.	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	TRAVELING EXPENSES.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	in	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W. M. S	Raised by R. B'ds.
Eastern Shore Dist	W. C. Vaden, P. E.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$. \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Cape Charles City	J. K. Jolliff	7 56	39 00	39 00	400 00	400 00		10 00	10 00	11 00	9 53	15 00	7 60
2. Franktown	N. H. Robertson	3 03	91 00	91 00	900 00	900 00		59 73	5 87	98 89	16 62	64 00	93 00
3. Capeville	W. R. Crowder	23 30	100 00	100 00	1165 00	1165 00		42 70		65 00		56 50	39 00
4. Belle Haven	and J. E. White, J. L. Bray		77 00	77 00	750 00	750 00		20 00		30 00		128 00	17 00
5. Keller and	E. E. Harrell and		117 00	117 00	1175 00	1089 90	85 10	40 00		80 00		96 54	17 65
Wachapreague, 6. Pungoteague	G. E. B. Smith, J. R. Grifflth and	3 70	111 00	111 00	1100 00	1100 00		17 00	******	28 00	20 00	119 75	20 00
	R. F. Gayle	46 70	111 00	111 00	1000 00	1100 00		80 25		118 50.	17 00	128 09	34 58
8. Accomac Courthouse		10 95	42 00	37 25	322 50	273 16	54 09	13 00		21 00			8 99
9. Onley and Locustville		2 05	61 00	61 00	610 00	610 00		32 00		43 00		77 48	33 26
10. Accomac			63 00	63 00	625 00	625 00		25 00		35 00		28 98	24 54
11. Guilford	Joseph R. Sturgis		70 00	70 00	600 00	600 00		17 00		25 00	5 00	39 55	32 63
	J. Carson Watson	18 50	76 00	64 00	750 00	632 00	130 00	20 00	**********	40 00	9 91		26 77
13. Sykes' Island	M. L. Williams		44 00	36 10	350 00	287 24	170 66	3 75		12 25			
14. Wicomico		2 00	60 00	60 00 .	600 00	600 00		7 00		13 00			2 00
15. Berlin		9 10	48 00	40 61	400 00	338 66	68 73	20 00	3 50	30 04	7 20		***********
16. Salisbury		17 20	126 00	126 00	1050 00	1050 00		15 00	49 00	5 00	102 00	46 55	*************
17. Cambridge Station		3 00	91 00	91 00	900 00	900 00		17 00		41 81	10 29	27 28	***********
18. Cambridge Circuit	,	2 40	73 00	73 00	700 00	700 00		12 00		38 01			
19. Dorchester		11 50	71 00	71 00	500 00	500 00		5 00		20 00			
20. Hooper's Island	J. E. Brooks,	1 00	30 00	30 00	300 00	300 00		14 00		16 00		•••••	******
	Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	161 99 146 00	1501 00 1500 00	1468 96 1431 62	14297 50 14819 00	13920 96 14302 87	408 58 584 51	470 43 396 00	68 37 86 24	771 50 576 79	197 55 141 52	827 72 673 64	357 02 300 35
•	Increase	15 99	1 00_	37 34		991 (11	175.03	81 43	17 27	194 71	56 03	154 08	56 67

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		B	ENEVO	LENT	COLLE	CTIONS	S.			MISCI	ELLAN	EOUS	COLL	ECTION	S.	Whole	er.	Su		Y-SCH	
PASTORAL CHARGES.	COLLEC		BISH FU.	op's	EDUCAT FU	CIONAL	CHURC	CH EX-	eral rence nses.	Annual Conference Expenses.	ren's	le ety.	lay- ool oses.	Building and Repairing Churches.	For All Other Purposes.	Amount Raised during the Year	verage Member	ber.	fficers and Teachers.	lars.	Conversions
rasional offanoza.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	General Conference Expenses.	Annual Conferen Expense	Children's Day.	Bible Society.	Sunday- School Purposes.	Buildin and Repairin Churche	All C Purp	for al'. Purposes.	The A	Number.	0	Scholars.	Conv
	607 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 8 90	\$ 2 50	\$12 00	\$ 4 00	\$2 00	\$1 50	\$ 8 88	\$ 1 20	\$ 41 65	\$	\$319 06	\$ 899 48	\$11 37	1	12	115	
1. Cape Charles City	\$27 00		18 00	18 00	20 80	20 80	27 60	27 60		5 85	9 97	2 00	97 59	329 35	146 06	2053 36	4 97	3	50	300	20
2. Franktown	64 00	64 00			23 00	15 00	30 50	18 00	2 50	5 00	5 24	2 74	89 08	722 11	137 77	2550 94	6 03	3	49	213	24
3. Capeville	69 75	50 00	20 00	12 00		7 00	24 75	7 00	2 00	2 00		2 00	135 36	125 00	100 00	1434 36	4 09	3	60	360	
4. Belle Haven	56 00	25 00	16 40	7 00	18 00			20 00	5 00	5 00	18 80	61	116 14	604 00	384 00	2687 64	4 83	7	78	412	10
5. Keller and	81 20	58 00	23 10	15 00	25 75	20 00	35 66			4 50	16 10	2 00		734 25	305 80	2632 06	4 89	4	55	392	
Wachapreague, 6. Pungoteague	77 50	24 00	22 90	10 71	25 40	4 00	33 65	9 00	4 00			5 00		90 50	228 42	2311 18	5 07	2	60	343	45.
7. Onancock	77 50	77 50	22 90	22 90	26 50	26 50	33 35	33 35	4 80	7 00	15 00			47 00	51 00	536 15	4 83	2	14	100	
8. Accomac Courthouse	29 50	12 00	8 40	4 42	9 75	4 50	12 75	5 50	1 50	2 75	3 63	1 50	38 00			1092 39	4 55	2	31	194	
9. Onley and Locustville	41 75	27 00	12 50	10 00	14 25	8 00	18 75	12 00	4 41	3 50	3 89	2 50	41 75		120 55			3	62	279	
10. Accomac	43 75	20 00	10 75	8 00	13 75	5 00	19 25	5 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	*******	84 30	50 00	75 00	1060 82	4 51			340	18-
11. Guilford	49 25	24 00	14 00	8 00	16 35	3 00	22 50	3 00			5 60	2 00	105 00	652 00		1591 78	3 65	4	35		10.
12. Atlantic	52 50	26 00	14 75	5 00	17 55	5 00	23 25	5 00	1 00	1 00	8 59	7 00	71 20	118 20	62 50	1121 67	4 54	3	46	330	
	30 75	75	8 75	50	10 25	2 50	13 50	2 25	25	25			62 23			408 07	3 26	1	30	123	10
13. Sykes Island	41 25	32 00	11 75	6 00	13 95	7 00	18 50	8 00	1 00	1 00	2 00		•••••	114 00	225 00	1080 00	3 02	4	55	235	15
14. Wicomico		20 00	9 50	6 00	12 25	8 00	14 25	9 00	3 00	2 00	5 26	20 00	79 00	137 10	72 05	810 52	2 87	5	49	285	3
15. Berlin	33 25		24 75	24 75	29 00	29 00	38 50	38 50			7 00		30 03	1128 46	394 65	3152 39	17 28	1	18	194	8
16. Salisbury	89 25	89 25			20 85	7 00	27 90	7 00	2 00	4 25	4 30		55 98	79 00	210 00	1487 91	6 27	1	22	165	
17. Cambridge Station	62 00	22 00	18 00	6 00				7 00	3 00	4 34	12 97	3 00	21 01	53 00	177 15	1154 88	4 62	4	46	214	6.
18. Cambridge Circuit	49 25	36 00	14 00	7 00	16 25	5 00	21 50			50	3 00					620 00	1 81	5	62	300	43.
19. Dorchester	42 75	5 00	12 25	50	14 35	1 50	18 75	2 00			2 50	1 00		200 00	50 00	667 50	4 04	3	26	180	30
20. Hooper's Island	21 00	13 00	6 00	6 00	7 00	5 50	9 25	6 50		2 00				5183 97	3059 01	29353 10	4 87	61	860	5074	232
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1040 00 1040 00	632 50 613 03	296 00 304 00	179 78 192 25	344 00 344 00	186 80 161 45	456 00 456 00	229 70 206 33	37 46 53 69	53 44 76 18	142 73 125 01	21 33	1350 66 1163 90	7056 05	2502 59	30226 84	5 11		804	300	165
Increase		19 47	8 00	12 47		27 35		23 37	16 23	12 74	17 72	1	186 76	1872 08	556 42	873 74	24				

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	rs.	BAPT	ISMS.				ME	EMBE	RSHI	POF	THE CHU	JRCH	•						Y'TH		CHUR	CH	PROPER	TY.
PASTORAL CHARGES.	Preach'rs			MEMI	rs.	ers ear.	ers ted ted	se.	se.		COMPAR GAINS.	ATIVE	E ST		LOSS			13132		CI	HURCHES.	PAI	RSONAGES	Value of
PASIONALOHAROES	Local Pr	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Col'r'd	Total Members this Year.	Total Members Reported last Year.	Net Increase.	Net Decreas	Profession of Faith.	Certifi- cate and Other- wise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Re- mov'ls	With- dr'w'ls	Expul-sions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Cape Charles City				79		79	91		12	2	2	4		16			16			1	\$ 8000 00		8	\$ 150 00
2. Franktown		32	22	413		413	353	60		65	5	70	5	4	1		10			2	9000 00	1	2000 00	300 00
3. Capeville		16	2	423		423	398	25		20	11	31	1	5			6			3	4500 00	1	1500 00	300 00
4. Belle Haven		21	15	350		350	344	6		32	3	35		22	7		29			3	3700 00			
5. Keller and	2	20	26	556		556	534	22		87	13	100	8	31	39		78	1	44	5	7000 00	1	1000 00	
Wachapreague, 6. Pungoteague	2	18	16	538		538	547		9	21	4	25	3	28	3		34	ļ		4	10000 00	1	2000 00	600 00
7. Onancock		20	9	456		456	420	36		60	3	63	. 4	21	2		27	1	51	2	4500 00	1	1500 00	500 00
8. Accomac Courthouse		3	11	111		111	122		11	5	2	7	2	10	6		18	1	15	2	3000 00			250 00
9. Onley and Locustville		20	18	240		240	196	4.1		41	10	51	2	3	2		7			2	4000 00	1	1100 00	
10. Accomac			6	235		235	241		6	2	4	6	2	10			12			2	3500 00	1	1200 00	300 00
11. Guilford		29	6	438		438	404	34		35	1	36			2		2			3	5000 00			550 00
12. Atlantic		3	4	247		247	258		11	9	1	10	2	17	2		21			3	5500 00	1	1500 00	150 00
13. Sykes' Island		3	7	125		125	106	19		28		28	2		7		9			1	1600 00			
14. Wicomićo		15		357		357	339	18		20	2	22		-1			4			4	5200 00	1	1100 00	500 00
15. Berlin	2	3	27	282		282	380		98	18	2	20	3	106	9	*****	118	2	55	5	3600 00			
16. Salisbury	1	2	3	183		183	174	9		10	4	14	2		3		5	1	75	1	8000 00	1	3000 00	2000 00
17. Cambridge Station	1	2	25	237		237	273		36	4	13	17	3	46	-1		53			1	20000 00			125 00
18. Cambridge Circuit	1	2	26	250		250	248	2		12	2	14	2	10			12			4	4000 00	1	1000 00	200 00
19. Dorchester	1		5	343		343	335	8		21	21	42	4	21	9		34			5	6500 00	1	1100 00	500 00
20. Hooper's Island			35	165		165	152	13		25		25	1	11			12			2	3100 00	1	500 00	150 00
Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	10	209 98	263 183	6028 5912	3	6028 5915	5915 5855	113		517 304	103 471	620 775		365 603	96 56	1	507 715	6 5	240 135	55 57	119700 00 123100 00	13 11	18500, 00 15900, 00	6575 00 8997 00
Increase	4	111	80	116	3	113				213	368	155	9	238	40	1	208	1	105	2	3400 00	2	2600 00	2422 00

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL EXHIBIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1897.

Agreement of any annual field and a state of the contract of t			SU	PPORT OF TH	HE MINISTR	Υ.			MISS	SIONARY	COLLE	CTIONS.	
	PRESIDING	ELING ENSES.	PRESIDING EI	DER'S CLAIM.	CLAIM	OF THE PAST	or.	DOME	STIC.		FORE	CIGN.	
DISTRICTS.	ELDERS.	FRAVELING EXPENSES	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Deficit.	Raised in Ch'chs	in	Raised in Ch'chs.	Raised in S.Sch's	Raised by W M S	Raised by R. B'ds
1. Richmond	Alex, G. Brown	\$ 77 44	\$1801 00	\$1739 87	\$20371 00	\$19732 49	\$ 702 24	\$1034 17	\$38 25	\$1592 29	\$ 82 63	\$ 578 93	\$ 346 50
2. West Richmond	Paul Whitehead	74 88	1800 00	1709 35	17014 00	16213 30	892 35	922 87	27 75	1660 92	63 38	857 48	342 16
3. Rappahannock			1397 00	1274 03	10549 00	9652 17	1019 80	575 95	66 19	1025 49	138 01	324 40	332 95
4. Charlottesville		39 00	1475 00	1367 93	14291 00	13140 78	1257 29	619 02	52 00	895 46	75 92	145 60	214 87
5. Lynchburg			1713 25	1616 63	15870 50	14921 35	1045 77	864 18	122 98	2106 55	150 00	754 56	214 84
			1600 00	1507 22	14294 00	13838 31	548 47	855 27	10 56	1409 49	44 85	630-38	302 98
6. Danville			1725 00	1643 55	13766 00	12981 05	866 40	811 20	43 96	1441 13	74 17	399 00	262 20
			1595 00	1529 64	16224 00	15665-28	640 08	750 41	78 11	1387 83	124 37	1277 11	283 43
8. Petersburg			1599 88	1515 42	19013 00	18278 27	819 19	919 28	56 74	1406 43	211 03	734 26	368 83
9. Portsmouth			1800 00	1794 29	20700 00	20646 36	59 35	1120 88	69 50	2209 60	59 33	833 17	320 93
10. Norfolk	J. Powell Garland.		1501 00	1468 96	14297 50	13920 96	408 58	470 43	68 37	771 50	197 55	827 72	357 02
11. Eastern Shore	W. C. Vaden Totals for 1897 Totals for 1896	1439 33	18007 13 18024 80	17166 89 16777 21	176406 00 176052 00	168990 32 166173 50	8259 52 11126 09	8943 66 8721 09	644 41 714 04	15906 69 14692 09	1221 24 1110 80	7362 61 6034 74	3346 71 3388 83
	Increase			389 68	354 00	2816 82	2866 57	222 57	69 63	1214 60	110 44	1327 87	42 12

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

		Е	BENEV	OLENT	COLLE	ECTION	S.			MISC	ELLA	NEOU	s coli	ECTION	s.	Whole	1 :	Su	NDA	Y-SCI	10'L
DISTRICTS.		RENCE CTIONS.		IOP'S ND.	EDUCA'	rional ND.	CHURO TENS'N	CH EX-	ral ence ses.	lal ence ses.	en's		es.	ng ing	ler ses.	Amount Raised during	erage	2	and ers.	, s	sions
	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Ases'd.	Paid.	Gener Confere Expens	Annu Confer Expen	Childre	Bible Society.	Sunda Schoo Purpos	Buildi and Repair Church	For All Other Purposes.	the Year for al'. Purposes.	The Ave	Number	Officers	Scholars	Convers
1. Richmond	\$1.430 00	\$1069 53	\$407 00	\$313 70	\$473 00	\$326 45	\$627 00	\$416 66	\$137 19	\$100 84	\$147 47	\$88 01	\$4124 42	\$ 7922 28	\$10667 11	\$ 50536 23	\$5 62	52	898	6650	333
2. West Richmond	1235 00	1013 52	351 00	294 27	409 00	324 74	542 00	407 32	38 24	82 73	128 75	128 38	2374 97	4971 80	12738 94	44375 75	5 48	65	767	5044	24
3. Rappahannock	780 00	615 85	222 00	174 10	258 00	185 46	312 00	247 35	53 42	51 96	231 57	66 27	991 29	4293 68	1837 51	22373 65	2 94	72	711	4911	203
4. Charlottesville	1040 00	604 06	296 00	187 14	344 00	184 18	456 00	228 40	56 55	52 46	103 44	29 23	999 16	6289 89	4680 62	29965 71	2 76	113	1012	6742	339
5. Lynchburg	1170 00	881 37	333 00	255 26	387 00	248 28	513 00	255 11	41 21	63 77	150 31	81 03	2102 29	5104 02	7653 16	37716 37	4 65	77	767	6075	150
6. Danville	1170 00	789 13	333 00	227 50	387 00	242 87	513 00	318 74	67 89	68 00	60 01	64 49	1426 20	9248 13	15540 59	46804 48	5 78	105	863	8341	47-
7. Farmville	1105 00	889 00	314 00	240 92	366 00	259 55	484 00	332 30	82 51	79 98	128 25	72 74	1103 77	3384 17	3624 46	28117 89	3 43	86	759	5011	228
8. Petersburg	1235 00	927 85	352 00	262 50	408 00	265 85	541 00	332 55	52 00	69 77	166 38	57 10	2238 46	9712 23	5805 87	41081 02	4 84	79	791	5094	398
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SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

	SI	ВАРТ	ISMS.	1			ME	EMBE	RSHI	P OF	THE CHU	JRCH							V'TH	1	CHUR	CH	PROPER'	TY.
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DISTRICTS.	Local Pr	Adults.	Infants.	White.	Color'd	Tota Memb this Ye	Total Member Reported	Net Increas	Net Decreas	Profession of Faith.	Certificate and Otherwise.	Total Gains.	Deaths	Ke- mov'ls	With- dr'w ls	Expulsions.	Total Losses.	No.	Members.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	all other Church Property.
1. Richmond	14	322	113	8985	6	8991	8650	341		629	500	1129	101	607	80		788	24	1260	51	\$217100 00	11	\$17500 00	\$14345 00
2. West Richmond	12	328	69	8098	1	8099	7925	174		536	225	761	97	386	104		587	26	1690	66	218953 00	11	26100 00	21510 00
		210	114	7597	5	7602	7385	217		441	193	634	83	272	62		417	12	394	67	104795 00	12	16450 00	6325 00
3. Rappahannock	_				15	10870	10364	506		730	312	1042	88	387	55	1	531	13	404	107	130175 00	16	24375 00	9610 00
4. Charlottesville	16	565	70	10855	10				0.47	319	255	574	89	750	76	4	919	31	1359	70	148900 00	13	25200 00	12610 00
5. Lynchburg	15	219	94	8109	1	8110	8455	010	345			1105		519		65	733	9	395	86	174165 00	11	25600 00	10569 65
6. Danville	19	396	32	8083	13	8096	7880	216		574	531					1	575	10	390	85	86000 00	17	22000 00	5625 00
7. Farmville	11	300	49	8196	5	8201	8010	191		529	237	766	90	1				10					25350 00	16175 00
8. Petersburg	8.	258	85	8480	3	8483	8451	32		599	149	748	105	523	88			7	358	79	132100 00	16		
9. Portsmouth	4	245	133	6704	1	6705	6631	74		465	324	789	79	380	54		513	19	1308	50	182200 00	16	29950 00	13890 00
10. Norfolk	10	155	145	6695	1	6696	6418	278		369	277	646	60	435	49	26	570	19	1524	34	324800 00	12	27800 00	9200 00
11. Eastern Shore		209	263	6028		6028	5915	113		517	103	620	46	365	96		507	6	240	55	119700 00	13	18500 00	6575 00
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Conference Entertainment.

The subjoined statement of receipts and disbursements, on account of Conference Entertainment, at Danville, Va., November 17–25, 1897, has been received from the "Local Committee," and is published as required by "The Plan," adopted at the recent session of Conference.

ALEX. G. BROWN, Chairman Conference Committee.

· Names.	Houses of Entertainment.	PER DAY.	No. of Days	TOTAL	
J. P. Garland	Hotel Burton.	\$1.75	10	\$17 50	
W. E. Thompson	66	1 75	93	17 25	
J. J. Lafferty	"	1 75	81	15 00	
G. H. Spooner	_ ""	1 75	93	17 25	
O. L. Martin	4.6	1 75	$\frac{71}{12}$	13 50	
J. D. Forkner	66	1 75	8	14 00	
Jas. Cannon, Sr	66	1 75	9	15 75	
J. W. Grandy	46	1 75	63	12 00	
P. E. Hines	46	1 75	1	1 75	
A. M. Lyon	66	1 75	73	13 75	
R. S. Paulett		Special	7	5 25	
E. R. Lafferty	6.6	46	81	6 50	
R. B. Hartley	66	4.6	43	5 00	
E. J. Potts	Hotel Normandie.	1 75	10	17 50	
E. L. Pell	4.6	1 50	91	14 25	
J. L. Bray	6.6	1 75	10	17 50	
G. Anderson	6.6	1 75	8	14 00	
N. B. Foushee	66	1 75	7	12 25	
J. H. Wall	66	1 50	5	7 59	
C. D. Crawley	6.6	1 75	83	15 13	
J. S. Wallace	66	1 75	$9\frac{3}{4}$	16 88	
M. S. Watts	6.6	1 50	8	12 00	
H. M. Hope	6 b	1 50	10	15 00	
S. D. Turner	46	1 50	$5\frac{3}{4}$	8 63	
J. J. Kin;	66	1 50	81	12 38	
J. E. Potts	66	1 50	9	13 50	
A. Steel	66	1 75	23/4	4 87	
J. R. Griffith	66	1 50	83	13 13	
J. D. Hosier.	Mrs. M. P. Muncaster.	1 00	83	8 75	
F. G. Davis	46	1 00	$9\frac{3}{4}$	9 75	
E. S. Garner	66	1 00	93	9 75	
J. E. Brooks	66	1 00	93	9.75	
P. M. Bell	66	1 00	91	9 25	
T. R. Covington	4.6	1 00	7 !	7 50	
C. W. Turner	Mr. J. S. Exall.	60	9	5 40	
W. G. Bates	66	60	10	6 00	
Thos. E. Johnson	66	60	11	6 60	
C. C. Farley		60	7	4 20	
J. F. Brannin	Mrs. C. H. Richmond.	1 00	9^{1}_{4}	9 25	
M. A. Davidson	35 5 0 37	1 00	$9\frac{1}{2}$	9 50	
B. F. Smith	Mrs. L. G. New.	1 00	$9\frac{1}{2}$	9 50	
W. S. Sawyer	66	1 00	9	9 00	
W. L. Ware M. L. Williams	46	1 00	8	8 00	
W. A. Tompkins		1 00	81	8 50	
T Minor	Mrs. E. M. Hatcher.	5 00 per wk.	9	6 43	
J. T. Minor S. D. Turner		5 00 "	91	6 61	
R. M. Saunders.	Mrs. Otto Salzman.	1 00 per day	1	1 00	
C. F. Comer,	66	1 00 "	8	8 00	
D. Eastburn	66	1 00	9^{3}_{4}	9 75	
- Barrow	66	1 00	93	9 75	
W. J. Twilley	Mrs. J. T. Morton.	1 00	33	3 75	
	MIS. J. I. MORION.	1 00 "	2	2 00	
W. E. Smith	66	11 00 "	6	6 00	

To board of 55 persons as above	\$1,111 <u>36</u>
By cash of W. W. Vicar, Tr. Conference Committee	
Total receipts	\$1,111 36

J. T. CATLIN, Tr. Local Committee. R. N. SLEDD, Chr. Local Committee.

*N. B.—This balance of \$44.55 was received too late to appear in the statement of W. W. Vicar, Treasurer, page 91.—A. G. Brown, *Chairman*.

Constitution and By-Laws of the Board of Education.*

The action of the last General Conference, in constituting a Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the election of a Secretary of Education, we regard as eminently wise. In order to complete the organization in our own Conference, and to facilitate the work in behalf of this important interest of the church, your Board recommends the adoption of the following:

- 1. This Conference shall elect a Conference Secretary of Education, to serve for four years without salary, to whom the several District Boards of Education, hereinafter to be provided for, shall report immediately upon their organization. It shall be the duty of the Conference Secretary of Education to see that the District Boards be furnished with catalogues of all our institutions and with all information necessary to the prosecution of the work of the District Boards, and to keep a roster of teachers desiring situations, and to put them in correspondence with the Boards applying for teachers.
- 2. This Conference shall also elect a Conference Treasurer of Education, to whom all moneys belonging to the Boards of Education shall be paid, and who shall, without salary, pay out of the said funds the expenses of the Secretary of the Board for stationery, printing., etc, and such other expenditures as may be authorized by the Board, and shall present an itemized statement of all moneys received and disbursed by him to the Annual Conference Board of Education, with vouchers therefor.

II. DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

The District Conference shall elect, for a term of two years, four laymen, and the Presiding Elder shall appoint three preachers from his District, as a District Board of Education. The Presiding Elder shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Board, and he shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in the Board, in the interim of District Conferences. The Board shall effect its own organization, and shall hold its annual meetings at the District Conference, and lay such plans for their work in the District as, in their judgment, are advisable. The four laymen upon this Board shall be *ex-officio* members of the District Conference. It shall be the duty of the District Boards of Education—

1. To secure through the local Boards of Education, hereafter provided for, such facts concerning the number of children and young people of our own church, of school age, and the facilities for education within their bounds as shall enable the church to know the needs of our people; to secure from the Secretary the names of such teachers as desire situations, and to do all in their power to supply the local needs within the bounds of their several Districts; to procure the names and addresses of such young people as may be induced to attend our Academies and Colleges and to report them to their Faculties; personally to aid the agents of our school in whatever way possible when canvassing within their bounds; and, to

^{*}This paper came into the editor's hands too late to go in its proper place.

report in writing to the District Conference the work of the Board for the year, together with the statistics before mentioned. To report through its Secretary, its organization, with post-office address of officers and members, and an abstract of its proceedings to the Conference Board of Education.

- 2. No student for the ministry, whether licensed or unlicensed, shall be admitted to our Academies or College as a beneficiary student, who has not been recommended to the District Board by the local Board of the charge in which he holds his membership, and by the District Board to the Faculty of the institution which he proposes to enter. When such application is made and approved the District Boards shall diligently enquire what amount of aid is absolutely necessary for such applicant, to meet expenses other than tuition, and shall inform the local Boards of the amounts expected of them, and the local Boards shall raise the amounts in such way as they deem best; and said amounts, when raised, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the District Board of Education, who shall forward at once to the Treasurer of the institution in which the student is entered, and report it to the Secretary of the Conference Board of Education; and the Secretary of the Faculty of the institution in which the student is entered shall send a report of the progress of the student to the local and District Boards from which he comes.
- 3. No school shall be recommended to the patronage of our people by the District Conferences that has not secured the approval of the District Board of Education.

III. LOCAL BOARDS.

In each pastoral charge there shall be a local Board of Education, consisting of the preacher in charge and three laymen, the laymen to be elected annually at the second Quarterly Conference under the head of Question 15, upon the nomination of the preacher in charge, and two members of said Board shall constitute a quorum. It shall be the duty of the local Boards—

1. To co-operate with the pastor and Sunday-school superintendents in arranging and executing a programme for Children's Day.

2. To secure, as far as possible, the statistics called for by the District Board of Education.

3. To aid the representatives of our educational institutions in the canvass of the charge.

4. To recommend to the District Board of Education such persons as they approve as beneficiary candidates for the ministry, and to raise the amounts laid upon the charge by the District Boards.

5. To report in writing to the District Board of Education the statistics gathered by them of the educational work within the pastoral charges, together with the number of students attending our institutions of learning from their charges.

In order to carry this organization into effect at once, we recommend that the Presiding Elders be requested now to name four laymen in each of their several Districts, to be elected by this Conference, to act until the meeting of the District Conference, and that the Presiding Elders to be appointed add to these, immediately after the appointments are made, the clerical members necessary to complete the Board.

In order further to forward the work of education within our Conference, we recommend that the Annual Conference Board of Education be elected to serve for four years.

IX.

CONFERENCE, DIRECTORY.

I. TRAVELING PREACHERS.

The figures in the second column give the date of admission on trial into the traveling connection.

The letters denote: E—Elder; D—Deacon; P—Probationer; Sy—Supernumerary; Sd—Superannuated.

	NAMES.	ENTERED ITINERANCY.	GRADE AND RELATION.	POST-OFFICES.
1 2. 3. 4 5 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15 16. 17. 18 19 20 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26 27. 28. 29 30 31. 32. 33. 34 35.	Askew, Jacob B Atwill, Wm. H Austin, Daniel B. Babcock, Jas. O. Bacon, Herbert T. Bain, Wm. F. Baker, James W. Bane, Chas. L. Banks, Leroy L Bargamin, Vincent W. Barrett, Robert E. Bates, Walter G. Battin, Sam'l J. Baughan, Robt. S. Bayton, Thos. J. Beadles, Robt. B. Beadles, R. Fletcher. Beauchamp, Wm. B. Reckham, Benj. M. Bell, P. M. Bennett, Richard H. Bentley, Robt. E. Berryman, Albert C. Betty, Lewis B. Blankenship, R. B. Blankenship, Chas. E. Bledsoe, J. Wiley. Boggs, Chas. H. Boggs, Wm. G. Booker, Geo. E. Booker, Geo. E. Booker, Geo. E. Jr. Bosman, John T.	1859 1854 1857 1879 1874 1891 1887 1865 1851 1882 1887 1881 1880 1896 1893 1846 1855 1892 1893 1891 1889 1892 1876 1877 1877 1877 1875 1876 1875 1876 1875 1876 1876 1876 1876 1876 1876 1876 1876	EEEEEEESS EEEEEEEPES EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE	Wakefield, Va. Portsmouth, Va. Saluda, Middlesex Co., Va. West Norfolk, Va. Ashland, Va. Crittenden, Va. Danville, Va. Clarksville. Va. Gordonsville, Va. Oaklette, Norfolk Co., Va. Louisa, Va. Carsley, Surry Co., Va. Churchland, Va. Petersburg, Va. Sanford, Accomac Co., Va. Farnham, Richmond Co., Va. Benn's Church. Isle of Wight Co., Va. Portsmouth, Va. Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va. Appomattox, Va. Norfolk, Va. Walkerton, King & Queen Co., Va. Chester, Va. Portsmouth, Va. Ettrick, Va. Callaway, Franklin Co., Va. Gordonsville, Va. Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va. Rortsmouth, Va.
36.	Bowles, Henry C	1860	E Sd	Stella, Patrick Co., Va.

37. Bradley, Paul. 1875 E 38. Brannin, Jas. F. 1845 1839 Brannin, Jas. F. 1845 1839 Bray, John L. 1889 E 240. Brooks, Jas. E. 1897 P 241. Brown, Alex. G. 1852 E 242. Brown, Henry J. 1884 E 243. Bullard, Win. E. 1886 E 244. Brown, John M. 1856 E 244. Burtuss, Frank. 1897 P 245. Burton, John M. 1876 E 246. Butts, Daniel G. C. 1870 E 247. Cain, Chas. W. 1880 E 249. Campell, Thos. H. 1872 E 249. Camper, Win. H. 1859 E 259. Carson, James, Jr. 1888 E 250. Carson, James, Jr. 1888 E 250. Carson, Adrian L. 1892 E 257. Chaetham, Henry C. 1857 E 257. Chaetham, Henry C. 1857 E 257. Charke, John L. 1848 E 258. Charlettan, W. Asbury. 1890 257. Clarke, John L. 1848 E 258. Clarke, Randolph T. 1889 E 259. Clonna, Major S. J. 1894 60. Clements, Patrick H. 1895 61. Colonna, Major S. J. 1894 62. Colonna, Major S. J. 1894 63. Comer, Chas. F. 1882 E 64. Compton, Robert A. 1862 E 65. Conrad, W. A. S. 1885 66. Crawley, Chas. D. 1874 67. Crider, John W. 1854 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1843 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1845 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1855 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1855 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1856 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1858 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A. 1856 E 86. Crocker, Wm. A.		NAMES.	ENTERED ITINERANCY.	GRADE AND RELATILN.	POST-OFFICES.
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42 Brown, Henry J. 1884 E 3 Bullard, Win. E 1886 E 44. Burruss, Frank	40. Brook	s, Jas. E	1897		
43. Bullard, Wn. E. 1886 E 44. Burrus, Frank	-41. Brown	Honry T	1884		
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47. Cain, Chas. W. 1880 E Cambridge, Mc. 48. Campbell, Thos. H. 1872 E 49. Camper, Wm. H. 1859 E 59. Carnon, James, Jr. 1880 E 52. Carson, Esthmus V 1889 E 52. Carson, Esthmus V 1889 E 53. Carson, Adrian L. 1892 E 54. Chandler, Richard M. 1876 E 55. Cheatham, Henry C. 1857 E 56. Christian, W. Asbury 1892 E 57. Clarke, John L. 1848 E 58. Clarke, Randolph T. 1889 59. Clayton, John K. 1897 D P Colonna, Major S. 1858 E Colonna, Major S. 1858 E	~ 46. Butts,	Daniel G. C	1870		Moorman's River, Albemarle Co., Va.
49. Camper, Wm. H	47. Cain,	Chas. W	1880		Cambridge, Md.
50. Cannon, James, Jr. 1888 E 51. Carroll, John W. 1880 E 52. Carson, Esthmus V 1889 E 53. Carson, Esthmus V 1892 E 54. Chandler, Richard M 1876 E 55. Cheatham, Henry C. 1857 E 56. Christian, W. Asbury 1892 E 57. Clarke, John L. 1848 E Sd 59. Clayton, John K. 1897 D Clouna, Major S. 1858 E 60. Colonna, Major S. 1858 E 61. Colonna, Major S. 1858 E 62. Colonna, Major S. 1889 D Colonna, Major S. 1889 E 63. Comer, Chas. F. 1882 E 64. Compton, Robert A 1862 E 65. Coravley, Chas. D. 1874 66. Crawley, Chas. D. 1874 67. Crider, John W. 1854 E Sd 68. Crocker, Wm. A. 1843 E Sd 69. Crooks, Robert N. 1855 E Sd 70. Crowder, Wm. R. 1883 71. Dadmun, Edward T. 1892 72. Davidson, M. A. 1858 E 73. Davis, Wilbur F. 1885 74. Davis, Fred. G. 1894 75. Day, Sam'l W. 1891 76. Deshazo, John E. 1876 77. Deshazo, John E. 1876 1890 1800	48. Camp	bell, Thos. H	1872		Ashland, Va.
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52. Carson, Esthmus V	50. Canno	on, James, Jr	1888		Retosville Va
53. Carson, Adrian L	52 Carro	n Fethmus V	1880		Amelia C. H. Va.
54. Chandler, Richard M.	53 Carso	n Adrian I	1892		Mt. Carmel, Halifax Co., Va.
Solution		dler Richard M	1876		
Section					
Standard	- 56. Chris	tian, W. Asbury	1892	E	Lynchburg, Va.
58. Clarke, Randolph T	- 57. Clark	e, John L	1848	E Sd	Charlottesville, Va.
60. Clements, Patrick H	58. Clark	e, Randolph T	1889	\mathbf{E}_{-}	
61. Colonna, Major S	59. Clayt	on, John K	1897	DP	
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67. Crider, John W	66. Craw	ley, Chas. D			Hickory, Norfolk Co., Va.
69. Crooks, Robert N	67. Cride	er, John W	. 1854	E Sd	Norfolk, Va.
70. Crowder, Wm. R	68. Crock	cer, Wm. A	. 1843		
71. Dadmun, Edward T 1892 E Petersburg, Va. 72. Davidson, M. A 1858 E Stevensburg, Culpeper Co., Va. 73. Davis, Wilbur F 1885 E Cartersville, Va. 74. Davis, Fred. G 1894 D Whaleyville, Va. 75. Day, Sam'l W 1891 E Hewlett, Hanover Co., Va. 76. DeBerry, Junius B. 1876 E Edmond's Store, Brunswick Co., Va. 77. Deshazo, John E. 1847 E Sd Prospect, Va. 79. Dey, Bascom 1885 E Prospect, Va. 80. Drewry, Sam'l R. 1890 E Cascade, Pittsylvania Co., Va. 81. Driscoll, Asa 1891 E Hayes' Store, Gloucester Co., Va. 82. Duke, Thos. P. 1877 E Elba, Pittsylvania Co., Va.	69. Crool	ks, Robert N	1855	E Sd	Yorktown, Va.
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74. Davis, Fred. G	-73 David	Wilbur F	188		Cartersville. Va.
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—83. Dyer, Gustavus W 1894 D Lynchburg, Va.	—83. Dver	Gustavus W	189		Lynchburg, Va.
84. Early, Thos. H	84. Earl	y, Thos. H	. 185	7 E Sy	Lynchburg, Va.
85. Edwards, Jos. J	85. Edw	ards, Jos. J	. 185	$0 \mid E \mid Sd$	
86. Edwards, Wm. E 1862 E Charlottesville, Va.	86. Edw	ards, Wm. E	186	2 E	
87. Edwards, Wm. Henry 1876 E Norfolk, Va. Shackleford's King & Queen Co. Va.					Norfolk, Va. Shackleford's, King & Queen Co., Va.
	- 88. Edw	ards, Theo. U	187		South Roston Va
99. Edwards, Francis M 1863 E South Boston, Va. Meadsville, Halifax Co., Va. Meadsville, Halifax Co., Va.	89. Edw	ards, Francis M	188		Meadsville, Halifax Co., Va.
91 Ferguson Richard 1869 E Flint Hill, Rappahannock Co., Va.				TAKETON.	Flint Hill, Rappahannock Co., Va.
92. Forkner, Jas. D	92. Fork	ner, Jas. D	188		Oldham's, Westmoreland Co., Va.
93. Foushee, Nathan B	93. Fous	shee, Nathan B	187		Newsom's, Southampton Co., Va.
94. Franklin, Alex. L					Meherrin, Va.

	NAMES.	ENTERED ITINERANCY	GRADE AND RELATION	POST-OFFICES.
95.	Galloway, Chas. H	1891	E	Allen, Wicomico Co., Md.
96.	Garland, J. Powell	1858	\mathbf{E}	Norfolk, Va.
97.	Garland, Robt. C	1896	P	Glade Hill, Franklin Co., Va.
98.	Garner, Emmett F	1890	E	Temperanceville, Va.
99.	Gates, Jas. E	1871	E	Ashland, Va.
100. 101.	Gayle, R. Finley	1879	E	Richmond, Va.
102.	Gill, John R	1892	E	Bloxom, Va.
103.	Granbery, John C., Jr Grant, Wm. E	1090	P E	Nashville, Tenn.
104.	Green, Wm. T.	1878	E	Gravel Hill, Buckingham Co., Va. Suffolk, Va.
105.	Green, Chas. H	1873	E	Reams' Station, Va.
106.	Greene, Geo. F	1892	E	Nimmo's, Va.
107.	Gregory, Werter H	1871	E	Pungoteague, Va.
108.	Griffith, J. R	1866	E	Onley, Accomac Co., Va.
109.	Hall, Alex. M	1852	E Sd	Petersburg, Va.
110.	Hall, Ernest F	1893	\mathbf{E}	Whealton, Lancaster Co., Va.
111.	Hank, Josiah D	1857	E	Tanner's Creek, Norfolk Co., Va,
112.	Hardy, Porter	1888	E	Enfield. King William Co., Va.
— 113.	Harrell, Emmett E	1883	E	Rocky Mount, Va.
114. 115.	Harry, J. C	1897	P	Danville, Va.
116.	Hatcher, Sam'l C	1893	E	Richmond, Va.
117.	Hayes, Wm. F Haynes, W. T. A	1882	E	Bowling Green, Va.
118.	Heckman, Jas. W.	1800	E	Clover, Va.
119.	Herrink, Benj. S.	1871	E	Chamblissburg, Bedford Co., Va. Marengo, Mecklenburg Co., Va.
120.	Hitt, Luther T.	1892	E	Scottsville, Va.
121.	Hobday, Chas. E	1867	Ē	Lawrenceville, Va.
122.	Hope, Herbert M	1873	E	Petersburg, Va.
123.	Hosier, John D	1895	D	Fishing Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
124.	Hunter, Joshua S	1870	\mathbf{E}	Charlottesville, Va.
125.	James, C. Rosser	1888	E	Heathsville, Va.
126. 127.	James. Richard G	1892	E	Woodville, Rappahannock Co., Va.
128.	Jett, Wm. B Johnson, S. Harvey	1890	E	Miller's Tavern, Essex Co., Va.
129.	Johnson, Henry E	1857	E	Whitmell, Pittsylvania Co., Va. Norfolk, Va.
130.	Johnson, Thos. E	1894	Ď	Dover Mines, Va.
131.	Jolliff, Jas. K	1892	E	Smithfield, Va.
132.	Jones, Albert A	1887	\mathbf{E}	Thalia, Princess Anne Co., Va.
133.	Jones, Geo. Wesley	1894	D	Cape Charles City, Va.
134.	Jordan, Wm. P	_ 1	E	Ford's, Dinwiddie Co., Va.
135.	Jordan, Edward M	[1869]	E Sd	Ashland, Va.
136. 137.	Jordan, Arthur C	1880	E	Amherst C. H., Va.
138.	Judkins, Wm. E Kabler, John H	1855	E	Norfolk, Va.
139.	Lafferty, John J.	1857	E	Suffolk, Va.
= 140.	Lambeth, Sam'l S	1857	E	Crozet, Va.
- 141.	Lambeth, Graham H	1895	D	Bedford City, Va. Hampton, Va.
142.	Langley, Jos. D	1897	DP	Charlottesville, Va.
143.	Latham, Jos. N	1892	E	Williamsburg, Va.
144.	Laughon, Wm. A	1867	E Sd	Richmond, Va.
145.	Lavinder, Jesse B	1896	P	Friend's Mission, Va.
146.	Lear, Wm. W	1875	E	Manchester, Va.
147.	Ledbetter, B. E	1869		Lancaster, Va.
148. 149.	Leftwich, Clarke W	1887	E	Boonsboro, Bedford Co., Va.
- 150.	Lingcomb Bernard F	1886	E	Ruther Glen, Caroline Co., Va.
~ 151.	Lipscomb, Bernard F Littleton, Oscar	1850	E	Newport News, Va. Lynchburg, Va

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- 153.	Marks, R. H.	1897	P	Ashland, Va.
154.	Martin, Oscar L	1885	E	Union Hall, Franklin Co., Va.
155.	Martin, Henry F. B	1895	D	Stuart, Va.
156.	Mastin, Jos. T	1870	E	Richmond, Va. Cambridge, Md.
157. 158.	Maxey, Robert M	1815	E Sd	Comet, Isle of Wight Co., Va.
159.	McFaden, Geo. H	1886	E	Manchester, Va.
160.	McGhee, Chas. H	1884	E	Smithfield, Va.
161.	McSparran, Jas. E	1857	E	Gum Spring, Louisa Co., Va.
162.	McSparran, Francis B	1896	P	Montross, Va.
163.	Merritt, Jos. B	1862	E	Norfolk, Va.
<i>-</i> 164.	Moore, John T	1873	E	Disputanta, Va.
- 165.	Moore, Jas. W	1888	E	Norfolk, Va.
166.	Moore, Wm. E	11897	PE	Roxbury, Charles City Co., Va. Forest Depot, Bedford Co., Va.
167. 168.	Moss, Jas. O	1890	E	Hollydale, Lunenburg Co., Va.
-169.	Moss, John O Moss, Jas. H	1888		Emory, Washington Co., Va.
170.	Mullen, Robert H	1886		Christie, Halifax Co., Va.
171.	Nicholson, John W		1	Pleasant Ridge, Prin. Anne Co., Va.
172.	Oyler, Jas. E		P	Buckingham, Va.
173.	Pace, Wm. C	. 1894	D	Thurman, Bedford Co., Va.
174.	Parham, Edgar P	1882	E	Clarksville, Va.
175.	Parrish John W			Concord, Va.
176.	Payne, John T			Gordonsville, Va.
177.	Peerman, Erne-t L	1890	PE	Bishopville, Md. Richmond, Va.
178. 179.	Pell, Edward L Peters, Jas. Sidney		1	Richmond, Va.
180.	Phaup, Leroy J			Lynchburg, Va.
181.	Potts, Jos. E			Belle Roi, Gloucester Co., Va.
182.	Potts, Reginald H			Salisbury, Md.
183.	Potts, Thos. N	. 1884	E	Richmond, Va.
184.	Potts, Edgar A	. 1891	E	Toano, Va.
185.	Potts, Eugene J	1894	D	Belle Roi, Gloucester Co., Va.
186.	Pribble, John L	1056	E	Hicks' Wharf, Mathews Co., Va. Hickory, Norfolk Co., Va.
187. 188.	Proctor, Jos. A		E	Portsmouth, Va.
189.	Proctor, Wm. R Proctor, Fred. W			Matoaca, Va.
 190.	Pruden, Nathaniel J			Palmyra, Fluvanna Co., Va.
191.	Pullen, Thos. G	1884	E	Madison C. H., Va.
 192.	Rawlings, Eugene H	1890) E	Richmond, Va.
193.	Ray, Geo. H	1853	B E	Portsmouth, Va.
194.	Reed, Lemuel S		E Sd	
195.		1808	B E	Lvnchburg, Va. Allwood, Amherst Co., Va.
196. 197.	Reed, Dexter W			Louisa, Va.
198.				Quinton, New Kent Co., Va.
199.				Petersburg, Va.
200.	Riddick, Jos. H	185		Farmville, Va.
201.				Bon Air, Va.
202.	Riddick, Jas. E. R	188	$2 \mathbf{E}$	Coman's Well, Sussex Co., Va.
203.				Irvington, Lancaster Co., Va.
204.				
205.				Franktown, Va.
206.				Crewe, Va.
207.				Bowling Green, Va. Chase City, Va.
208. 209.				Rip Raps, Va.
210.				Lynchburg, Va.
210.	baunders, Rob t M	194	O, E	12y netrourg, va.

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211.	Sawyer, Walter W 1880) E	Oak Forest, Cumberland Co., Va
212.	Sewell, John T 189	7 DP	Richmond, Va.
213.	Scott, Richard B 187	7 E	Atlee's, Hanover Co., Va.
-214.	Shackford, Jos. W 1874	4 E	Bedford City, Va.
215.	Sharpe, Arthur B 1898	3 E	Drake's Branch, Va.
216.	Shearer, Lewis C 1898	5 DP	
- 217.	Simpson, Thos. McN 187	$7 ext{ E}$	Farmville, Va.
218.	Sledd, Robert N 185	7 E	Danville, Va.
<i>-</i> 219.	Smith, Benj. F 188	7 E	Charlottesville, Va.
-220.	Smith, A. Coke 187	2 E	Lynchburg, Va.
221.	Smith, Geo. E. B 189		Wachapreague, Va.
- 222.	Smithey, Wm. R 187		White Plains, Brunswick Co., Va.
-223.	Spencer, Jas. L 185		Nottoway, Va.
224.	Spooner, G. Hansford 189	1 E	Norfolk, Va.
-225.	Starr, Wm. G 186	0 E	Richmond, Va.
- 226.	Stevens, Ernest 188	5 D	Culpeper, Va.
227.	Stiff, Jas. W	8 E	Petersburg, Va.
228.	Sturgis, Jos. R 187	8 E	Blackstone, Va.
229.	Taylor, Travis J 186	7 E	Richmond, Va.
230.	Thomas, Jos. A 189	2 E	Windsor, Isle of Wight Co., Va.
231.	Thompson, Wm. E 189	1 E	Boydton, Va.
232.	Tillett, Wilbur F 188	$0 \mathbf{E}$	Nashville, Tenn.
≈ 233.	Tompkins, Wm. A 188	0 E	Ephesus, Bedford Co., Va.
-234.	Traynham, David J 187		North View, Mecklenburg Co., Va.
235.	Tudor, Wm. V 185		Richmond, Va.
236.	Turner, Chas. W 188	7 E	Meridian, Dinwiddie Co., Va.
-237.	Vaden, Wesley C186	1 E	Bloxom, Va.
238.	Vanderslice, Geo. C 185	9 E	Richmond, Va.
239.	Waggener, Jas. R 184	9 E S	
240.	Wallace, David M 185	3 E S	
241.	Wallace, John S 187	9 E	Grafton, York Co., Va.
242.	Wamsley, C. S 187	9 E S	l Ashland, Va.
243.	Ware, Wilkinson L 189	5 D	Elmington. Nelson Co., Va.
244.	Waterfield, Rob't T 189	3 E	Portsmouth, Va.
245.	Watson, J. Carson 185	9 E	Keller, Va.
246.	Watts, Rob't W 185	7 E	Lovingston, Va.
247.	Watts, Chas. E 186	6 E	Bowling Green, Va.
248.	Wertenbaker, Chas. C 186	8 E	Franklin, Southampton Co., Va.
249.	White, John E189	6 D I	
250.	Whitehead, Paul 185	3 E	Richmond, Va.
251.	Whitley, Jesse T 180	$9 \mathbf{E}$	Hampton, Va.
252.	Whitmore, A. A	3 E	Belle Haven, Va.
253.	Wiley, Geo. H	66 E	Lynch's, Campbell Co., Va.
254.	Williams, Wm. T 188	60 E	Swansboro, Va.
255.	Williams, Milton L 188	7, E	Beach, Chesterfield Co., Va.
256.	Williams, Walter J 189	\mathbf{E}	Red House, Charlotte Co., Va.
257.	Williams, Chas. H 189	92 E	Spotsylvania, Va.
258.	Williams, Lloyd T 189		Norfolk, Va.
259 .	Wilson, Richard T 188	7 E	Petersburg, Va.
260.	Wingfield, Robert L 189	04 D	Stockton, Henry Co., Va.
261.	Winn, John B 189	1 E	Chatham, Va.
262.	Woodward, John P 185	3 E S	
²⁶³ .	Wray, Geo. W 187	7 E	Petersburg, Va.
264.	Wray, Thos. J 188	34 E	King George C. H., Va.
~ 265.	Wright, Wm. P 186	37 E	Danville, Va.
- 266.	Young, W. J 187	9 E	Norfolk, Va.
267.	Younger, Robert H 187	6 E	Emporia, Va.

II. Lay Delegates to Conference, and Alternates who were present and served during whole or part of Session.

Those marked with an asterisk (*) were not present.

NAMES.	District.	Post-Offices.
Adams, Isaac H., Jr	Lynchburg	Lynchburg, Va.
Anderson, Garrett	Richmond	Shackleford's, King & Queen Co.
Ballou, W. K	Farmville	Harmony, Halifax Co., Va.
Barrow, C. S	Petersburg	Barrow's Store, Va.
Blackwell, Robert A	Farmville	Hollydale, Lunenburg Co., Va.
Boggs, J. C	Eastern Shore	Mandred, Va.
*Boggs, J. E	Eastern Shore	Cape Charles, Va.
Bradbury, J. W. (Alt.)	Petersburg	Petersburg, Va.
Branch, John P	West Richmond	Richmond, Va.
Brickhouse, Smith N	Norfolk	Norfolk, Va.
	Eastern Shore	Temperanceville, Va.
Broadwater, Joseph E	Richmond	Manchester, Va.
Busby, John H	West Richmond	Chesterfield, Va.
Cogbill, M. A.		
Covington, T. B. (Alt.)	Charlottesville	Stevensburg, Culpeper Co., Va.
Davis, J. W. C.	Rappahannock	Hague, Westmoreland Co., Va.
Davis, Richard B. (Alt.)	Petersburg	Petersburg, Va.
Dickinson, D. C.	Danville	Union Hall, Franklin Co., Va.
Eastbourn, Oliver	Rappahannock	Fredericksburg, Va.
Farley, C. C.	Farmville	Deatonsville, Amelia Co., Va.
Gary, M. E	Richmond	Richmond, Va.
Glass, Carter (Alt.)	Lynchburg	Lynchburg, Va.
Grandy, J. W	Norfolk	Norfolk, Va.
Hartley, R. B	Petersburg	Stony Creek, Sussex Co., Va.
Hines, P. E (Alt.)	Eastern Shore	Cambridge, Maryland.
Hughlett, A. M	Lynchburg	Bedford City, Va.
Hunt, Gilbert J	West Richmond	Richmond, Va.
Irby, Richard		Ashland, Va.
Kellam, A. E	Norfolk	Princess Anne Courthouse, Va.
Kilby, W. J		Suffolk, Va.
King, John J	Portsmouth	Portsmouth, Va.
Linney, H. B		Gordonsville, Va.
Minor, J. T.	Rappahannock	
Moorman, Thomas E	Lynchburg	
*Moger, D. W	Portsmouth	Hampton, Va.
Moseley, E. G		
Neville, Geo. L. (Alt.)		Portsmouth, Va.
Parker, J. C		
Pattie, D. M	Charlottesville	
Peatross, Robert O	Rappahannock	70 31 0 77
Rogers, Philip		
*Shearer, W. N		
-*Smith, Francis H		
	70 117	
*Traver, James -Vawter, Charles E		
-Vicer W W (Alt)		
-Vicar, W. W. (Alt.)		
Wall, J. H	1	
*West, L. M	Norfolk	Cornland, Norfolk Co., Va.
Williams, Edward	Danville	Malmaison, Pittsylvania Co., Va
Williams, James M. (Alt.).		. Rocky Mount, Franklin Co., Va
Willson, Richard T		
Wise, W. P	Eastern Shore	. Capeville, Va.
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